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Mary Kom reacts after loss on Thursday | AP | P15, 16

INDIA IN DIFFERENT QUARTERS IN TOKYO

Top performances in archery, badminton, hockey raise nation's hopes at Olympics

MEN'S HOCKEY TEAM, ARCHER ATANU STUN FAVOURITES

Men's hockey team beat defending champions Argentina 4-1 to march into quarters and archer Atanu Das stunned two-time Olympic champion Oh Jin Hyek from South Korea to enter pre-quarters. Rio Olympics silver medallist PV Sindhu also advanced to the quarters after beating Mia Blichfeldt. Satish Kumar, India's first super heavyweight (+91 kg) to compete in the Olympics, in last eight after win

HEARTBREAK FOR MARY KOM

- Multiple world champion and London Olympic medallist Mary Kom lost her flyweight (51 kg) prequarterfinal bout against Colombia's Ingrit Valenciaon. She said she did not realise she lost after winning last two of the three-round bouts
- Shooter Manu Bhaker is fifth after first stage of qualification

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NUMBER OF INDIANS TO PARTICIPATE IN ATHLETICS FROM FRIDAY

CHENNAI • MADURAI • VIJAYAWADA • BENGALURU • KOCHI • HYDERABAD • VISAKHAPATNAM • COIMBATORE • KOZHIKODE • THIRUVANANTHAPURAM • BELAGAVI • BHUBANESWAR • SHIVAMOGGA • MANGALURU • TIRUPATI • TIRUCHY • TIRUNELVELI • SAMBALPUR • HUBBALLI • DHARMAPURI • KOTTAYAM • KANNUR • VILLUPURAM • KOLLAM • WARANGAL • TADEPALLIGUDEM • NAGAPATTINAM • THRISSUR • KALABURAGI

27% OBC quota for med AIQ seats

10% reservation also carved out for the EWS category; applicable from this admission season

SUMI SUKANYA DUTTA @ New Delhi

FOLLOWING an year-old Madras High Court ruling and pressure from the Supreme Court, the Centre on Thursday announced 27% reservation for OBCs and 10% for the economically weaker section (EWS) of students for undergraduate and postgraduate medicine and dental courses under the All-India Quota (AIQ) scheme.

Under the AIQ scheme, 15% UG and 50% PG seats are kept domicile-free in government medical and dental colleges, against which students from other states can be offered admission, while the rest of the seats are reserved for students from within the state.

The Madras High Court had last week said there will be no admission in medical colleges this year without implementing the AIQ reservation. It had on July 27 last year directed the Union health ministry to set up a committee to workout the quota arithmetic within three months, but the process got stalled, resulting in a rap from the Supreme Court in recent weeks.

Decision to benefit 5,550 students

The decision would benefit nearly 1,500 OBC students in MBBS and 2,500 OBC students in PG while it will also impact around 550 EWS students in MBBS and around 1,000 EWS students in PG medicine

The new quotas will be applicable from the current academic session. The proposal was approved at a meeting chaired by the prime minister on Monday.

AIQ was introduced in 1986 under the direction of the Supreme Court to provide for domicile-free merit-based opportunities to students from any state to aspire to study in a good medical college located in another state.

To begin with, there was no quota in AIQ. But in 2007, the Supreme Court allowed reservation of 15% for SCs and 7.5% for STs, after which OBCs sought a level playing field.

When the Central educational institutions (reservation in admission) Act became effective in 2007 providing for uniform 27% reservation to OBCs, it was implemented in all centrally run medical colleges but was not extended to AIQ seats of state medical and dental colleges.

The Centre had in 2019 introduced 10% reservation for EWS. Seats in medical and dental colleges were raised over two years ago so that the seat count for other general category students does not go down.

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Officials inspect Pegasus office near Tel Aviv

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE

AMID mounting international pressure to probe the widespread abuse of the Pegasus spyware, Israeli authorities inspected the offices of NSO Group near Tel Aviv, which owns the military grade cyberwar tool.

The inspection happened on Wednesday around the time Israeli Defence Minister Benny Gantz was in Paris to discuss the matter with his French counterpart, as the latter country's President Emmanuel Macron's mobile numbers figured in a leaked database of NSO's possible surveillance targets.

For its part, NSO said defence ministry officials probing the complaints had 'visited' and not 'raided' its premises.

While most countries affected by Pegasus, including France and Hungary, have been pressuring Israel to come clean, it is a mystery that the Indian government does not see the surveillance of hundreds of academics, journalists, activists, politicians and victims of sexual violence, as a matter of national security.

But, pressure is mounting on the judiciary to order a probe, as over 500 individuals and groups have written to Chief Justice of India N V Ramana seeking his immediate intervention.

MAKEN
CONG GENERAL SECY HOLDS TALKS IN RAJ

Congress general secretary Ajay Maken held one-on-one discussions with Rajasthan Congress MLAs for the second day here on Thursday. Ahead of the expected Cabinet reshuffle, Maken is holding talks with party legislators to take feedback on the performance of the Congress government in the state | P10

Bommai in Delhi today to meet PM, decision on cabinet likely next week

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Hubballi, Bengaluru

TWO days after taking oath as Chief Minister, Basavaraj Bommai will be visiting New Delhi on Friday to meet Prime Minister Narendra Modi, other Union ministers and MPs from Karnataka. However, the issue of cabinet formation may not be on the discussion table for now, as the CM, who is currently heading a one-man government, indicated that it will take some time and he will visit Delhi again to discuss the matter.

"This is my first visit as Chief Minister and it will be to greet them and take their blessings," Bommai said. He added that the PM had spoken to him on Wednesday and expressed hope of good governance in the state. Commenting on cabinet formation, the CM said he will visit Delhi again sometime next week when the composition of the cabinet will be discussed and names finalised.

Meanwhile, his predecessor B S Yediyurappa told reporters on Thursday that he will not interfere in the cabinet formation or administration. "Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai is capable and he will decide on it. I have even told my followers not to contact me for any work and to approach Bommai himself as he is now the CM of Karnataka," Yediyurappa said.

Regarding the apprehensions among the turncoats who had joined the BJP to help the party form its government, Yediyurappa said he will talk to Bommai, but added that the latter will decide on it. He also said will visit Gundlupet in Chamarajanagar district on Friday and call on the family of Ravi who committed suicide a day after Yediyurappa resigned. P4

Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai inspects the Barekalache-Kaiga road and the collapsed bridge, which was damaged in the floods, in Yellapur on Thursday | EXPRESS

WILL NEW CM GET NEW TEAM WITH NEW FACES?

With Karnataka getting a new CM, the question now remains who will make it to the Basavaraj Bommai cabinet. Several MLAs, who were ministers in the Yediyurappa cabinet, are unlikely to make it. "Leaders are keen on bringing those who were denied berths earlier," a source said. P4

NATIONWIDE	JULY 28	JULY 29
Fresh cases	43,654	43,509
Recoveries	41,678	38,465
Deaths	640	640

KARNATAKA	JULY 28	JULY 29
Fresh cases	1,531	2,052
Recoveries	1,430	1,332
Deaths	19	35

JAB-O-METER
TAKE YOUR SHOT
July 28 **39,42,457 doses**
July 29 **46,52,914 doses**
TOTAL DOSES **45,55,02,438**

Steady Covid case spike may see return of curbs

CHETANA BELAGERE @ Bengaluru

KARNATAKA may soon some of the Covid-19 restrictions being brought back, prompted by concerns in the increase in the number of new cases in some neighbouring states, especially Kerala. The Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), set up by the State Government, is scheduled meet this weekend and decide on actions to be taken to prevent an increase of cases in Karnataka.

"We should not underestimate the Delta variant even with a 1 per cent positivity rate. We saw the numbers go up exponentially to 30 per cent in a span of just a few weeks. The Delta variant is highly transmissible. We have to bring in certain restrictions and keep a watch on the positivity rate. As of now, it is close to 1.5 per cent, but with the Delta variant, it won't take long to spread," explained Dr Vishal Rao, Dean, Centre for Academic Research, HCG Hospitals, and member of Genome Sequencing Committee. He says that right now, the state is inching close to a positivity rate of 5 per cent and when it touches the mark, all social gatherings and outdoor entertainment will have to be stopped. "We are seeing a surge in Kerala, Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Telangana and Maharashtra, so, at this juncture, we cannot say Karnataka is different. We are in an island in the Delta ocean," Dr Vishal surmised.

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K'TAKA SEES 34% JUMP IN FRESH COVID CASES: P3

DOZENS OF MONKEYS FOUND STUFFED IN SACKS, MANY DEAD

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru, Hassan

ABOUT 60 Bonnet Macaques were found mysteriously stuffed in gunny bags and dumped on the Belur-Sakleshpur road near Chowdanahalli village in Hassan district late on Wednesday night.

Some villagers found about 15-20 sacks thrown on the muddy road around 10pm and, upon opening them, they were shocked to find Bonnet Macaques (monkeys). Local wildlife volunteers and other villagers rushed to the spot and found the monkeys, some dead, some alive but badly bruised. While some of the locals tried to call the forest and police department officials for help, others attended to the monkeys by offering food and water.

"It was only after daybreak that officials from the police and forest department arrived. By that time, many more monkeys had died as their condition was serious. We have never seen such a pathetic sight before. We even called the deputy commissioner for help, but to no avail. In each sack, there were at least five monkeys," said a local.

The dead monkeys being buried in Hassan district on Thursday | EXPRESS

Members of Karnataka Prani Daya Sangha, who also helped the locals and forest department in the rescue and treatment efforts, demanded a detailed investigation. They also announced a reward for the person who helps find the culprits.

Hassan Deputy Conservator of Forests Dr K N Basavaraja told *The New Indian Express* that 36 monkeys had died, 15 escaped after preliminary treatment and the condition of one is very serious. P7

HC to monitor judge hit-and-run

MUKESH RANJAN @ Ranchi

TAKING suo motu cognizance of a CCTV footage that showed an autorickshaw intentionally running over Dhandbad Additional District and Session Judge Uttam Anand, killing him on the spot, the Jharkhand High Court on Thursday called it a direct attack on judiciary.

The HC asked state police to probe the incident thoroughly and get to the bottom of the case, while keeping the court updated on the progress. The footage showed the auto hitting the judge, who was on his morning walk, from behind on a deserted road on Wednesday. The shocking incident was also brought to the notice of the Supreme Court on Thursday by SC Bar Association President Vikas Singh, who sought a CBI inquiry. However, the SC did not entertain it saying the Jharkhand HC has already taken up the matter.

CCTV footage showing judge Uttam Anand (inset) being hit by an autorikshaw

Police have arrested two persons and the vehicle has also been recovered.

During the hearing, the court observed such incidents have never taken place even when Maoist activity was at its peak in the state. It noted the incident is a reflection of the poor law and order situation, which has emboldened criminals to execute such a crime in broad day light.

The HC accepted DGP Neeraj Sinha's proposal to get the case investigated by a Special Investigation Team. P10

EXPRESS READ

GST rate structure rationalisation soon: CEA

NEW DELHI: The Centre is seriously planning to simplify GST into a three-rate slab regime, Chief Economic Adviser K V Subramanian said on Thursday, adding that it is going to happen "very soon". "The three-rate structure is something... definitely important and even the inverted duty structure (is) also equally important to actually fix. I think the government is definitely seized of the matter. So, we should hopefully see traction on that soon," Subramanian said. He was speaking at a virtual event organised by industry body Assocham | P13

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FLOOD EFFECT

Not fans, but 'Sallu village' has long line of bachelors

RAGHOTTAM KOPPAR @ Gadag

TUCKED away about 59 km from Gadag town, Gadagoli, a small village in Ron taluk has earned itself the moniker of Salman Khan village - not for its macho men, but for its scores of bachelors who haven't been able to find a match over the last 10 years.

These men, mostly farmers, are now asking officials to request former minister C C Patil and local MLAs to help them find brides as families are not willing to marry off their daughters to this village nor other flood-affected places.

Dilapidated houses at Gadagoli village in Gadag district | EXPRESS

Though 500 houses were built in the new village a few years ago, they have not yet been allotted to the affected families. Marriage proposals are turned down as the prospective grooms do not have proper houses and they are living in dilapidated houses with no proper windows and doors. The farmers here have lands, but are suffering due to financial crisis caused by continuous droughts and floods which have been plaguing this region since the last two decades. A few wealthier men too have been unsuccessful in finding brides, given the condition of the village. But that has not been the case with girls from this village.

"There are about 120 men in the 30-40 age group who are unmarried. We are waiting for houses till today," a few youths said. A district official said, "A new village is ready, but some villagers refused to shift earlier and now the area is full of thorns and bushes. We will clean up the area and also repair some houses."

India to get back 14 of its stolen artworks from Oz

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ New Delhi

THE National Gallery of Australia (NGA) on Thursday announced its decision to return 14 artworks worth around $3 million from its Asian collection to India, as 13 were sourced from jailed smuggler Subhash Kapoor and one from New York-based art dealer William Wolff.

NGA director Nick Mitzevich said that returning the artworks is the right and culturally responsible thing to do. "We are grateful to the Indian government for their support and are pleased we can now return these culturally significant objects," he said. The handover will take a couple of months. Once done, NGA's collections will no longer have the Kapoor taint. Indian High Commissioner to Australia Manpreet Vohra said NGA's decision was a gesture of friendship. Some of the artworks that are being returned include bronze and stone sculptures. The museum had acquired them between 1989 and 2009.

COMING HOME

- Divine couple Lakshmi and Vishnu, 10th-11th century
- Letter of invitation to Jain monks; picture scroll, 1835
- Child-saint Sambandar, 12th century
- Dancing child-saint Sambandar, 12th century (pic)
- Portrait of donor and priests before ShriNathji, Udaipur, unknown date
- Guru Das Studio
- A Gandhi memorial portrait, 1941
- Processional standard, 1851
- Portrait of a man, 1954
- Goddess Durga slaying the buffalo demon, 12th-13th century
- Arch for a Jain shrine, 11th-12th century
- Seated Jina, 1163
- Maharaja Kishen Pershad Yamin, 1903
- Portrait of a woman, unknown date

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• Friday: 30/07/2021 • Year: Plava • Ayana: Dakshinayana
• Ritu: Greeshma • Masa: Ashada • Paksha: Krishna • Tithi: Sapthami (Whole day)
• Nakshatra: Revathi 4.00 pm • Moon in Mesha Rashi • Rahukaala: 10:30 am to 12:00 pm
• Gulikakala: 07:30 am to 09:00 am Yamaganda: 01:30 pm to 03:00 pm

WEATHER
MIN 20°C | MAX 27°C
FORECAST Overcast

Sunrise 6.04 am
Sunset 6.47 pm
Moonrise 11.30 pm
Moonset 11.21 am

NEP will reform edn: Kasturirangan

Completes one year of drafting; experts laud policy, want quick implementation

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

WITH the National Education Policy 2020 completing one year of drafting, Dr K Kasturirangan, who headed the draft committee, and heads of educational institutions lauded the policy and the transformation it is expected to bring in the education ecosystem.

"The policy is well timed and over the year, it has been well received by all stakeholders in the education ecosystem. Now, the main focus should be to fast-track its implementation. We hope to have the implementing guidelines soon. The future of education hinges on the policy. Once the guidelines are formulated, all stakeholders should align to work towards faster implementation of the policy," said Sumit Kumar, vice-president-NETAP, TeamLease Skill University.

Speaking to *TNIE*, Dr Kasturirangan pointed out that the NEP was crafted to provide an integrative yet flexible approach to education, keeping the interconnections of various phases of education.

> It is an end-to-end educational roadmap for the country with a broad view of encompassing holistic development and kindling the true potential of the individuals.
> Dr K Kasturirangan

"It is an end-to-end educational roadmap for the country with a broad view of encompassing holistic development and kindling the true potential of the individuals. The Union education minister understands the nature of the policy and also the urgency to implement it. Very soon, the education system in India will be reformed to its best," he said.

Lauding the benefits of the policy, Abhay Chebbi, Pro-Chancellor, Alliance University, said that the fact that colleges offer engineering courses in five regional languages further enhances the bandwidth of talent to suit Indian conditions. "The education sector can leverage the opportunities created over the last 16 months to buttress hybrid learning, digitization, and the rapid deployment of new-age technologies such as AI, Machine Learning and Augmented Reality to enhance the learners' perceptions."

Lauding Prime Minister Narendra Modi's address on the occasion, Dr Niranjan Hiranandani, Provost, HSNC University, welcomed the initiatives announced to meet the Sustainable Development Agenda and transform India into a future-ready, knowledge superpower.

"The launch of the academic bank of credit, multiple entry and exit options for higher education students, first-year engineering programmes in regional language, National Education Technology Forum (NETF), NISHTHA 2.0, and most importantly internationalization of higher education with credit transfers and twinning programmes will take India to another level. These initiatives will allow both domestic and global students to pursue their careers at convenient timelines and prepare them for Industry 4.0 in their best capacity," he said.

BDA demolishes 16 illegal buildings in Karanth layout

S LALITHA @Bengaluru

BANGALORE Development Authority (BDA) workers bulldozed 16 temporary structures at various locations in Dr Shivaram Karanth Layout on Monday.

A senior BDA official said, "We demolished 16 temporary structures that had sprung up in the layout at Somashettihalli, Medi Agrahara and Lakshmipura." He estimated that nearly 800 such structures in the layout are expected to face the axe in the future.

The Supreme Court had, in its order dated December 3, 2020, made it clear that all constructions built after August 3, 2018, can be deemed illegal.

BDA commissioner Rajesh Gowda said, "The survey numbers and superimposed satellite images of different timelines were considered by us. The buildings were not there even in November 2020. But images reveal these sheds in March 2021."

Jayakar Jerome, one of the three members of the Supreme Court-constituted Justice Chandrashekar Committee for Dr Shivram Karanth layout, said that barring the 13 minor layouts out of 17, which had been given BDA approval and legal certification by the Committee, the legality of the remaining constructions are being examined.

"We have already received around 5,000 documents from property owners which are being processed. Every minor aspect is being thoroughly studied by us," he said.

Owing to the additional work handed over to the Committee to assess if the 17 BDA Layouts certified by it were valid, the deadline to submit the report has been extended up to March 31, 2022.

The Shivaram Karanth layout will be BDA's second biggest layout with 18,975 sites coming up in villages between Doddaballapur and Hesaraghatta.

Regarding the land acquisition status of the layout, another official said that the compensation award notices had been despatched to property owners of 1,500 acres and their consent is awaited. "A total of 300 acres have been acquired so far out of the 3,546 acres that the layout requires," he added.

An earthmover razes an illegal structure in the proposed Karanth Layout

IT'S HIGH TIME

Expedite work on flyover, HC tells BBMP

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

THE Karnataka High Court on Thursday directed the Commissioner of BBMP to file a statement of objections setting out the time required for the completion of pending work, with regard to the construction of a flyover from Ejipura Main Road to Kendriya Sadan Junction at Koramangala.

A division bench of Chief Justice Abhay Shreeniwas Oka and Justice NS Sanjay Gowda passed the order after hearing a PIL filed by Adinarayan Shetty, a senior citizen from Koramanagala.

Advocate H Sunil Kumar, representing the petitioner, submitted that the work on the flyover was to be completed by November 4, 2019, but no progress was made, as the same was abandoned.

Upswing in hiring intent, B'luru tops

PEARL MARIA DSOUZA @Bengaluru

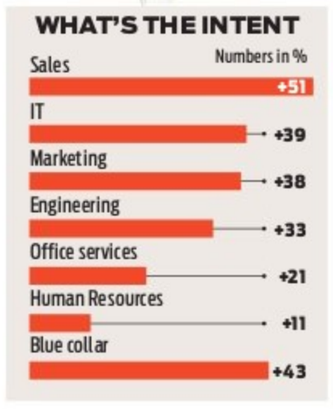
ALTHOUGH the highest recruitments in the second quarter are to be seen in junior level roles, there has been as much as seven per cent increase in the intent on hiring freshers, suggested a study by the human resource company, TeamLease Services.

The study reflected hiring sentiment across 14 cities and 21 sectors like educational services, Information Technology, healthcare and pharmaceuticals, e-commerce and technology startups, financial services and manufacturing.

Metropolitan cities make up for the largest chunk of the potential, with the intent to hire being as high as 49 per cent points, this is eight per cent points growth compared to last quarter.

Rural areas, with over15 per cent interested to hire, have registered a two per cent point drop in intent to hire, said the study.

Bengaluru (60% respondents interested to hire) saw an eight per cent point increase in the intent to hire this quarter, followed by Delhi (+51%), Hyderabad (+41%), Chandigarh (+39%) and Mumbai (+37%). Coimbatore and Indore witnessed a three per cent point drop in hiring intent.



The ripple effect that has led to positive hiring sentiment is owed to tell-tale signs of the economy recovering from the second wave -- indicators such as growth in the GST collection, e-way bills, vehicle registrations, electricity demand, rail freight, and petrol consumption.

Though the growth percentage is not as high as the previous quarter, the intent to hire is positive, the researchers suggest.

"There is a four per cent point rise in the intent to hire in the current quarter compared to the last quarter. It has moved from 34 per cent points in April- June '21 to 38-percentage point for the period July-Sept '21. Apart from the Americas, India is the only market that has indicated a four per cent point growth in hiring intent," said Rituparna Chakraborty, co-founder and executive vice-president, TeamLease.

"The festive season is round the corner and most of the sectors will want to put the season to maximum use. This is also a reflection why there is a significant rise in demand for freshers and junior talent," she said.

JUMBOS DAY OUT

Lone tusker, herd wander on city suburbs, keep forest officials on their toes

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

JUGGLING a lone tusker on one hand and a herd of four jumbos on the other that were wandering outside forest areas on the outskirts of Bengaluru, kept forest department officials on their toes for the better part of Thursday.

Even as officials of Bengaluru Urban and Rural and Bannerghatta National Park (BNP) were busy driving an elephant herd -- two females, a tusker and a makhana (tuskless male) – near Kanakapura Road, they received report of a tusker wandering near BM Kaval.

Acting immediately, the department formed two teams to drive the tusker and the herd to the back to the BNP. Learning from bitter experiences, two other teams were also formed to keep people at bay, from creating mayhem and scaring the animals.

All through the day, the teams kept a close watch on the wandering animals and tried to drive them closer to forest areas. After sunset, the manpower in the teams was increased and the operation to drive the animals to the park started in earnest.

A video grab of the herd

Forest officials pointed out that while the lone tusker had wandered off accidently, the herd was an old hand at this. "Last month, a herd of elephants was sighted near Bidadi. It was the same herd. Before that, the same herd was seen wandering close to BNP borders. It seems to be becoming a regular practice for this herd to wander about," an official said.

BNP staffers are also holding meetings with their counterparts in Ramanagara and Cauvery Wildlife Sanctuary to create rail barricades to limit the movement of animals outside forest areas and reduce conflicts.

So far, no human casualty has been reported because of the herd and the tusker, officials said.

Daily Starscope

PETER VIDAL

30th July: Did you know that we recently discovered that the Sun has a twin? It's another star and it orbits our solar system once every twenty-six million years. It's provisionally named Nemesis and is linked to disturbances which cause distant comets to aim for the earth. Take cover, I say! Actually, there's no need to panic just yet!

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr 20)
Sometimes you have just too many choices. How can you ever make your mind up? Maybe you don't have to. Maybe you can leave the future free and allow events to take their own course. Adopt the stars' advice and keep your options open for a little while longer.

TAURUS (Apr 21 - May 21)
Financial affairs are bound to be a focus of attention, especially in view of recent developments. However concerned you may be about the long-term future, a little effort will sort out any problems. Put as much energy as you possibly can into your worldly and professional ambitions. There is no time to lose!

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)
This is a fine day for completing practical tasks and making financial plans. However, there could be suspicions caused by rumours or secrets. Yet attention to the facts will set the record straight. News from far away should arrive next week, incidentally.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)
You're hoping that an increase in status will follow on from various other successes, yet you've been pulled in so many different directions that associates may be unsure as to what precisely you're up to. You're probably even managing to confuse yourself!

LEO (July 24 - Aug. 23)
There is nothing to be gained from flogging yourself too hard. How about a break? I mean, nobody can force you to do anything you don't want. The afternoon looks more relaxed, by the way, so why don't you snatch some time to put your feet up?

VIRGO (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)
You are embarking on a prosperous time as the Sun encourages you to work harder, earn more and build up your reserves. A partner will bring clarity to financial possibilities that you've persisted in overlooking until now. A romantic partner may try to walk all over you. Don't let them!

LIBRA (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)
In general your business prospects are excellent, just as long as your energy is carefully channelled. Encouraging news is likely this morning, but you may still be coping with recent upsets. Plus, your romantic prospects are looking brighter by the hour.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)
Get all those daily chores under control otherwise you'll have no spare time for accepting late invitations. Unexpected guests and news are likely and could change your long-term intentions. There is now a need to begin to arrange your financial future.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 22)
It's a fine time to consider whether you should go on in the future as you are now, or if it's time to accept the need for change. You'll find that there may not be much to choose from between the different options. But I should think that you'll be well suited to one promising social role.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)
Important developments may be taking place behind the scenes, and there could be moves to involve you in a new and challenging enterprise. Take important practical decisions sooner rather than later, otherwise you'll find that all your circumstances have shifted.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)
Preparations for the weekend should start today if you're planning to go away. If your schedule is free, you'll be happily surprised when you receive a number of pleasant invitations. Yet nothing is quite as it seems, so expect the unexpected.

PISCES (Feb. 20 - Mar 20)
You may be pulled in two directions. No problem in that, you might think. But you don't want to get stuck in a situation in which you end up doing nothing and miss out on everything. Don't worry about settling for second best. It might just be the best option!

THE PHANTOM

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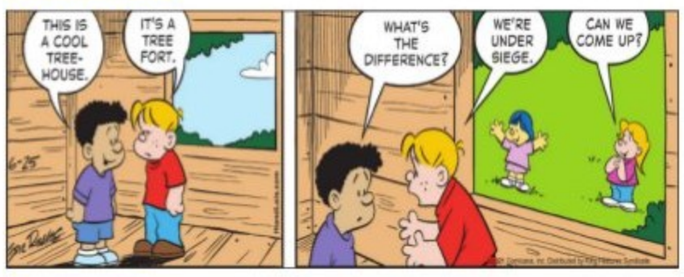

BEETLE BAILEY

BLONDIE

LOCKHORNS

"YES! THAT'S IT! THAT'S MY 30-YEARS-OF-MARRIAGE-TO-LEROY SPOT!"

DENNIS THE MENACE

"IT MIGHT BE A SMALL NEEDLE... BUT IT'S STILL SHARP!"

SU DO KU

Easy: Test your number crunching skill with our unique puzzle

Fill in the grid with digits in such a manner that every row, every column and every 3X3 box accommodates the digits 1 to 9, without repeating any.

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Solutions to Yesterday's puzzle

5	9	2	6	7	1	4	8	3
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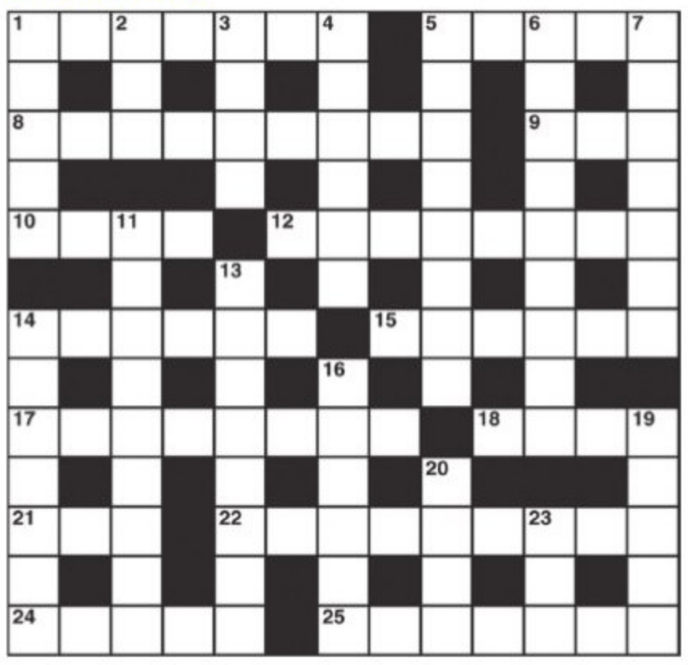
4	2	8	1	3	5	9	6	7
9	6	7	8	4	2	3	5	1
7	8	3	2	5	6	1	9	4
6	4	9	7	1	8	5	3	2
2	5	1	3	9	4	8	7	6

CROSS WORD



ACROSS
1 Domestically unstable (7)
5 Gathers a variety of pears (5)
8 Out-and-out position for an actor (9)
9 Prosecute for wrong use (3)
10 Result of a split if in the right (4)
12 Made fish pie when hungry (8)
14 It leaves refined niceties to female relatives (6)
15 The character of one's correspondence? (6)
17 Citizens taught in schools (8)
18 Keen to help a number inside (4)
21 Maybe many decades are viewed in retrospect (3)
22 Pen and put it in the envelope (9)
24 Pious - nothing short of goodly (5)
25 Spider or fly (7)

DOWN
1 Lowest change for a dinar (5)
2 High-pitched cry from some wild cats (3)
3 She comes up with a stick (4)
4 This drink can go a hundred years back (6)
5 Not a wholesale storyteller? (8)
6 It teaches reform in accordance with good taste (9)
7 No mean poet (7)
11 What the crew will expect to get above the water (9)
13 Dead centre (8)
14 It's intended to encourage laying in a little money (4,3)
16 They once held criminal funds (6)
19 Ear doctor is superior though gloomy (5)
20 Note uprising of West African tribe in desert (4)
23 It will be part of the furnishings in a crematorium (3)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTIONS
Across: 1 Flagpole, 5 Saps, 9 Aorta, 10 Inutile, 11 Confidential, 13 Untorn, 14 Pollen, 17 Bloodthirsty, 20 Tea bags, 21 Enoch, 22 Evil, 23 Prudence.

Down: 1 Feat, 2 Airport, 3 Play for a draw, 4 Lairds, 6 Alibi, 7 Spelling, 8 Turn your head, 12 Sunbathe, 15 Let down, 16 Chaser, 18 Okapi, 19 Thee.

JUMBLE By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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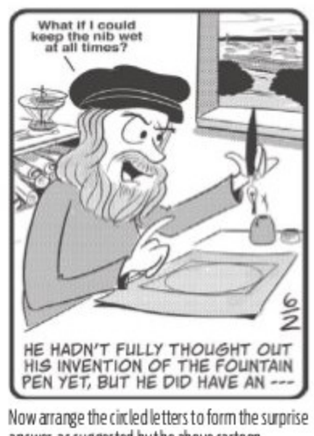

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon

Print the answer here:

ANSWERS TOMORROW

YESTERDAY'S: **Jumbles:** SWUNG THEME WEIGHT STRONG
ANSWER: When zero courted his girlfriend Nada, he whispered – SWEETNOTHINGS

TRACKING COVID-19

SPEED AND RISE OF COVID-19 CASES IN KARNATAKA

2,052 CASES REPORTED TODAY

TALLY STANDS AT

TODAY 29,01,247
YESTERDAY 28,97,664

1,501 CASES REPORTED YESTERDAY

DEATHS
TODAY 35
YESTERDAY 19

The first Covid-19 case in Karnataka was reported on March 8, 2020. Since then until July 24, 2021, a total of **28,93,556** cases have been reported in 1 year and 139 days...

DISCHARGES
TODAY 1,332
YESTERDAY 1,430

Active cases
TODAY 23,253
YESTERDAY 22,569

POSITIVITY RATE
TODAY 7.56%
YESTERDAY 7.58%

The day positivity rate - **1.37%** is calculated as the number of patients testing positive out of **100 tests** conducted only in a day.

MORTALITY RATE
TODAY 1.25%
YESTERDAY 1.25%

RECOVERY RATE
TODAY 97.93%
YESTERDAY 97.96%

DISTRICT-WISE COVID CASES
LAST 24 HOURS

506
BENGALURU URBAN

33
BENGALURU RURAL

Bagalkot	7
Ballari	8
Belagavi	37
Bidar	4
Chamarajanagar	24
Chikkaballapur	15
Chikkamagaluru	90
Chitradurga	17
Dakshina Kannada	396
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Gadag	3
Hassan	136
Haveri	3
Kalaburagi	10
Kodagu	96
Kolar	29
Koppal	8
Mandya	40
Mysuru	157
Raichur	2
Ramanagara	3
Shivamogga	81
Tumakuru	56
Udupi	174
Uttara Kannada	72
Vijayapura	5
Yadgir	3

K'taka sees 34% jump in fresh Covid cases

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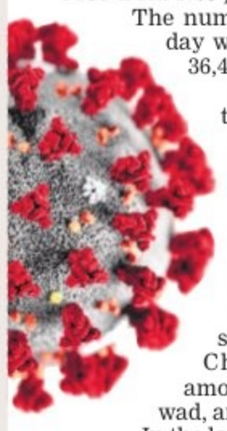
AFTER 19 days, the daily Covid caseload in the state has crossed the 2,000-mark. The last time this happened was on July 10 when 2,162 cases were reported. On Thursday, the state reported 2,052 cases, or 34 per cent jump in cases, with Bengaluru accounting for 506 (34 per cent more than Wednesday's count of 376). The tally now stands at 29,01,247.

Active cases increased from 22,569 to 23,253, and the daily positivity rate also rose from 1.03 per cent to 1.37 per cent.

The number of fatalities on the day was 35, taking the toll to 36,491.



While the cumulative district-wise case fatality rate stands at 1.26 per cent, 15 districts have a higher rate. These include Ramanagara, Bengaluru Urban, Kalaburagi, Uttara Kannada, Mysuru, Vijayapura, Bengaluru Rural, Dakshina Kannada, Koppal, Chamarajanagar, Shivamogga, Bidar, Ballari, Dharwad, and Haveri.

In the last seven days, 18 districts reported a higher case fatality rate than the state average. Kodagu, Shivamogga, Ballari, Hassan, Dakshina Kannada, Dharwad, Mysuru, Bengaluru Rural and Bengaluru Urban have higher deaths per million than the Karnataka average, which stands at 521. The highest number of deaths have been in the 60 to 69 age group with 10,545 patients succumbing to the virus. With 1,332 discharges, the total recoveries have gone up to 28,41,479.

Anekal, Nelamangala among worst-hit urban areas in state

Random testing at border check-posts, industrial areas being done, says DC

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TWO towns on the outskirts of Bengaluru — Nelamangala and Anekal — are among the 20 worst-hit urban areas in Karnataka in terms of positive cases over the last seven days, according to the state Covid war room. The week-on-week change has been 188.9 per cent in Nelamangala (Bengaluru Rural district) and 131.3 per cent in Anekal (Bengaluru Urban). Over four weeks, 58 cases were recorded in Nelamangala and 130 in Anekal, with 17 and 21 cases, respectively, being recorded in the last seven days.

At the peak of the Covid wave, Anekal used to record around 1,300 cases a day. Though cases have now dropped to two digits now, Covid is still a matter of concern.

Bengaluru Urban Deputy Commissioner J Manjunath pointed out that the town borders Tamil Nadu and has many industrial areas like Jigani, Bommasandra and Electronics City. There is movement of nearly 15,000 people every day who come to work in Anekal from places such as Hosur in Tamil Nadu.

A health worker collects swab samples of a woman in Benglauru | SHRIRAM BN

> **The testing has not come down despite fewer cases. As many as 10,000 tests are done outside BBMP limits each day and 3,000 to 3,500 are in Anekal. We are tracking the situation closely and are doing contact tracing**
>
> J Manjunath, Bengaluru Urban DC

"We conduct random Covid-19 testing at border check-posts, industrial areas and areas housing workers. The testing has not come down despite fewer cases. As many as 10,000 tests are done outside BBMP limits each day and 3,000 to 3,500 are in Anekal. We are tracking the situation closely and are doing contact tracing," Manjunath said.

Bengaluru Rural District Health Officer Dr Thippeswamy also felt that movement of people could be a reason why cases are still being reported in Nelamangala. "The total positivity rate is under 1 per cent in Bengaluru Rural and taluks in Nelamangala are reporting less than 10 cases a day, while the district, as a whole, is reporting 40 cases a day," he said. The other urban areas in the top 20 list are Kaup, Udupi city, Karkala and Kundapura in Udupi district; Sulya and Puttur in Dakshina Kannada; Somwarpet in Kodagu, Sakleshpur in Hassan, Tiptur in Tumakuru, Nanjangud in Mysuru, Nippani in Belagavi, Vijayapura city, Gadag town, Chitradurga city, Ankola in Uttara Kannada, Malavalli in Mandya, Chamrajanagar and Ballari city.

No need to panic over rising cases: BBMP chief

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IN the wake of increasing number of micro-containment zones in the city and rising cases, BBMP Chief Commissioner Gaurav Gupta advised citizens not to panic, but stressed that the situation was "not normal at present". "People should not let their guard down. They need to be cautious," Gupta told reporters on Thursday.

He noted that earlier, a containment zone used to be declared when 10 cases were reported. But now, a micro-containment zone is declared with just three or four cases. On whether restrictions on inter-state travel to Kerala are on the cards considering the rising cases in the neighbouring state, Gupta said that the government will take a call on this.

Menwhile, Gupta directed officials to strictly penalise all those not following Covid appropriate behaviour in public.

Whether flexes and banners will be permitted, Gupta said that it is for the government to decide. The government will look at revenue generation, safety of commuters and aesthetics of the city before taking a final decision, he added.

Pvt hosps irked by plan to cut 25% vax quota

RANJANI MADHAVAN @ Bengaluru

PRIVATE hospitals are irked with the frequent change of policies for the procurement of Covid vaccines. They feel that the government should stick to the earlier policy of procuring the vaccines and giving them to private hospitals, rather than following the 25% quota. In a major revision of the vaccination policy, the Centre is contemplating lowering the 25% vaccine quota earmarked for private hospitals.

The move comes in the wake of several states, including Tamil Nadu and Odisha, asking the Centre to cut the private sector's quota to 10%, arguing its participation in the inoculation drive has been poor. Under the existing policy, vaccines are split between government and private hospitals in a 75-25 % ratio. Prior to this in May, the Centre procured 50% of the vaccines and the remaining 50% was equally divided between the state governments and private centres in a 25:25 ratio.

"The Centre must go back to the earlier vaccine policy and supply 100% of the vaccines. Tamil Nadu has used CSR funds to supply vaccines to private hospitals for free, who in turn distribute it to the beneficiaries for no price," said Dr Ravindra R, managing director at Suguna Hospital and former president of Private Hospital and Nursing Homes Association (PHANA).

Some complained that given the current system, the orders made by private hospitals are not even getting processed, neither is the money being returned.

On condition of anonymity, the owner of a city-based private hospital told this correspondent that he paid ₹18 lakh to Serum Institute of India for Covishield and ₹30 lakh to Bharat Biotech for Covaxin. "While the latter gave an acknowledgment of the order, the former neither acknowledged nor did it supplied the vaccines. This is a huge amount for smaller private hospitals to spend and is not viable," he said.

According to Karthik Shekhar, coordinator of RMV Hospital, "Bharat Biotech expects a minimum order of 2,880 vaccines which costs ₹30 lakh which is discouraging to smaller private centres. Even with the 25% policy, they have not got anything but people continue to knock on their doors for a jab."

"Now, neither private nor government health centres have stock, thus causing people to run from pillar to post in the hope of getting vaccinated. Moreover, the Cowin app has technical issues which prove to be a hurdle when we try to procure vaccine," says Shekhar.

Some believe that the government's decision to change the policy every now and then, has left people confused and "vaccine-less".

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Acute short supply of Covid-19 vaccine is a concern in Dakshina Kannada. Sujay Bhandary, Taluk Health Officer, Mangaluru, told the general body meeting of Mangaluru City Corporation on Thursday that vaccine supply has been severely hit in the past few weeks. As a result, over 13,000 elderly people are unable to get their second dose of Covaxin

Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai inspects 16-km Arabail Ghat in flood-hit Uttara Kannada district on Thursday. The section saw 14 landslides in recent rains

Bommai inspects ravaged ghats, announces Rs 200cr relief package

Seeks details on damages, issues instructions to repair roads, relocate village

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Yellapur/Ankola (Uttara Kannada)

CHIEF Minister Basavaraj Bommai had a hectic schedule during his first visit to Uttara Kannada district, where he inspected the damage caused due to heavy rainfall and landslides. He announced a relief package of Rs 200 crore for repair of roads and rehabilitation work.

Bommai's first official visit began from Yellapur, where he left for Arabail Ghat, and stopped at three places where the worst damage had happened. The ghats, which stretch for about 16km, had 14 landslides, with severe damage at four places near Yellapur.

The Chief Minister visited Kalachi village, about 24km from Yellapur taluk, which was destroyed due to floods in the river Gangavalli. Accompanied by former minister Shivaram Hebbar, Deputy Commissioner Mullai Muhilan and other officials, he met people enroute, who poured out their woes. He instructed the district administration to relocate the entire village. "Send a proposal and an action plan to identify 10-15 acres of land to relocate the village," he said.

He also visited Ramanagulli village in Ankola taluk, where a bridge had been washed away, before chairing a meeting of officials in Ankola town. Bommai sought details on the total damage caused due to floods. After DC Muhilan furnished the required details and explained in detail the reasons for floods, Bommai cut him short and asked him to be more specific.

Later, he announced that he would release Rs 200 crore. "Rs 100 crore will be reserved for the PWD to restore road connectivity and clear landslides, and Rs 100 crore to the RDPR department to restore road connectivity in rural areas," he said. "We are allocating funds from the state government, this will be in addition to what we get from the Centre."

Bommai told the PWD and National Highway authorities to prepare a detailed project report for reconstruction of roads in Arabail and Anshi Ghats, and warned officials to be alert and active.

Vaccination for fishermen

Bommai said that since vaccination is mandatory for visiting Goa, 3,000 vaccines each will be provided to Karwar, Kumta and Bhatkal to vaccinate fishermen. DC Muhilan assured Bommai that a campaign would begin soon.

Bommai had a video conference with Prime Minister Narendra Modi, where he discussed damage caused due to floods. Modi reportedly assured him of all assistance required.

UKP PHASE III WORK TO START

CM Basavaraj Bommai said that rehabilitation and resettlement works pertaining to the third phase of the Upper Krishna Project would be taken up once the Centre issues a gazette notification on the Brijeshkumar Mishra Tribunal award. He told reporters that the tribunal, constituted on the recommendation of the Supreme Court, has already given the award over Krishna river water sharing. The Central government was about to issue the notification, but the Andhra Pradesh government again went to the apex court. Karnataka and Maharashtra government are fighting the case together. Stating that the Supreme Court passed the judgment on Andhra's plea in 4-8 weeks, the CM hoped that the State would get permission to use its share of water. Once the Union government issues a gazette notification, the State would start work, and take measures to heighten Almatti dam, he added.

Bommai cabinet likely to see new faces, a few old ones

ASHWINI M SRIPAD @ Bengaluru

WITH the leadership drama coming to an end, the corridors of Vidhana Soudha are now abuzz with the question — "Who will make it to the Bommai cabinet?"

To ensure representation from all regions and castes, several MLAs -- who were ministers in the previous BS Yediyurappa cabinet -- are unlikely to find a place in the Basavaraj Bommai ministry. Going by the buzz in the BJP, close to 10 former ministers, including some from Bengaluru city, are unlikely to be inducted as ministers, as the party high command is said to be keen on bringing in new faces.

The Yediyurappa cabinet comprised 34 ministers, including him and 11 turncoat legislators, who quit the Congress-JDS coalition and helped the BJP form the government in 2019. Two old faces, Gokak MLA Ramesh Jarkiholi and former industries minister Jagadish Shettar, are unlikely to make the cut. Ramesh resigned as water resources minister after the CD row, and is unlikely to get his berth back until he gets a clean chit in the case. On Wednesday, Shettar opted out of the ministerial race. There were eight ministers from Bengaluru in Yediyurappa's cabinet, including three turncoat MLAs --- ST Somashekar, Gopalaiah and Byrathi Basavaraj. The trio is on good terms with party leaders and in all likelihood, will be retained as ministers.

Seer of various mutts and several forums want to see me as DyCM. I am an aspirant... but I will not lobby for it. I will abide by the party decision

KS Eshwarappa, BJP MLA

Sriramulu

Byrathi Basavaraj

There are murmurs that seniors like Suresh Kumar, V Somanna and R Ashoka will be out of the cabinet. "We have under two years for the next Assembly polls in the state. The party cannot be giving a chance to the same people. Party leaders are keen in bringing those who were denied a cabinet berth earlier," a BJP insider said.

However, it is a challenging task for the BJP to drop seniors. On Thursday, Bommai too said that it cannot be done right now and he has to visit Delhi again. Sources said Dr CN Ashwath Narayan is expected to be in the cabinet, but may not get his deputy CM's post back. Another turncoat, Shivaram Hebbar, is also unlikely to be made minister. "Many within the party want him to be in the ministry as he was vital in bringing down the Congress-JDS coalition government," a source said.

A Ramdas from Krishnaraja in Mysuru, or Ravi Subramanya from Basavanagudi could replace Suresh Kumar as the Brahmin face. Hiriyur MLA Poornima Srinivas and Karkala MLA Sunil Kumar are also likely to be inducted.

While Sriramulu might be made DyCM, the name of former RDPR minister KS Eshwarappa is also doing the rounds, with pressure from the politically strong Kuruba community. BJP sources said allegations against former Women and Child Development Minister Shashikala Jolle in the egg distribution scheme could dash her hopes. Former minister JC Madhuswamy said he was not aware of the developments and was just focussing on his seat Chikkanayakanahalli.

Former housing minister V Somanna said, "I have been a minister for 12 years. I will not approach anyone seeking a cabinet berth." Somanna was minister in the JH Patel cabinet, when Bommai was Patel's political secretary. Somanna met Yediyurappa on Friday.

Congress leader Siddaramaiah and others release a booklet highlighting the failure of the BJP government in Bengaluru on Thursday | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

Covid-19, economy— Congress report lists failures of BJP govt

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

At a time when the BJP government is commemorating two years in power, and new Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai hit the ground running with his tour to flood-hit North Karnataka, the opposition Congress has put together a booklet highlighting the government's "failures" in the past two years.

Opposition leader Siddaramaiah said he is ready to undertake a visit to the ghats in Uttara Kannada on August 1, to check on what the government is doing to alleviate the pain of the people there. "I will find out what the government has done after the visit of CM Bommai," he said.

The booklet highlights the failures of the government in about 61 pages, sector-wise. "How can I call this government successful when it has failed totally on all fronts?" Siddaramaiah said. He alleged that the government was busy making money when people were dying due to Covid. "People were assuming that this was a double-engine government, but it was actually a tragedy. The Central government failed in Delhi, and the state government here. In Chamarajanagar district, 24 people died due to oxygen shortage, but the government falsely claimed that no one died."

He also blamed the BJP government for negative GDP growth of -7.7 per cent, in contrast to 11 per cent GDP growth during the Congress regime. Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman, who was elected to the Rajya Sabha from Karnataka, had not done anything for her home state, not even given its rightful share of Rs 5,495 crore, he said.

The Karnataka government had resorted to heavy borrowings of more than Rs 1.4 lakh crore over a two-year period, but done nothing for the poor during the lockdown, he said. To top this, the steep hike in fuel prices due to heavy central levies is unpardonable, he said. He claimed that more than 50 lakh people have died across India due to Covid. Refusing to give CM Bommai any quarter, he said, "Let us wait and see how he turns out as Chief Minister."

AS DYCM...

Leaving office with 'zero' pending files, says Ashwath

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WITH the council of ministers under BS Yediyurappa deemed dissolved following his resignation, former Deputy Chief Minister Dr CN Ashwath Narayan has cleared all files pending in his departments.

In a statement issued on Thursday, he said that zero files were pending in departments under him and in a span of one-and-a-half-years he had cleared 3,760 files. He held the portfolios of higher education, IT/BT and S&T, skill development, entrepreneurship and livelihood.

"The department of higher education received 1,746 manual files and all were cleared. In addition, 1,441 e-files were received and cleared. In the department of IT/BT and S&T, 62 manual files and 86 e-files were cleared. As minister of skill development, Ashwath Narayan attended 84 manual files and 96 e-files. Besides, he also cleared 245 manual filed received in the medical education department. Sometimes, he even used to work till late in the night to attend the files without any delay," read a statement from the MLA's office.

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A statement from the MLA's office

CM to discuss pending K'taka projects in Delhi

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"IT'S my responsibility, I am going there to console the family," the former CM added. On his future role, Yediyurappa quipped, "Even without power and post, one can do good deeds".

In Delhi, the CM is also holding a meeting with Union ministers and MPs from Karnataka to discuss pending projects and other issues related to Karnataka. He is scheduled to reach Delhi by 8.55 am and after meeting the PM and Union ministers, he will hold a meeting with MPs at 1 pm.

In related developments ahead of the CM's visit to Delhi, many BJP leaders are too are rushing to the national capital and ministerial aspirants are lobbying hard to be part of the new government. On one hand, senior leader and former CM Jagadish Shettar's refusal to join the cabinet has sent ripples among other senior leaders in the party while on the other, MLAs are resorting to intense lobbying to be part of Bommai's Cabinet.

Bommai said that after Shettar made his opinion public, he had spoken to the latter about meeting him personally and added that after understanding his (Shettar's) feelings, the matter will be taken up with the party leadership to try and find a solution.

EXPRESS READ

BJP takes to Twitter, hits back at Siddu

BENGALURU : The BJP put out a series of tweets against Congress leader Siddaramaiah and his family, following the his statements that a son need not inherit the qualities of his father. He said it on Thursday, when reporters asked him if he had a soft corner for Basavaraj Bommai. He said he knew Bommai's father SR Bommai, and there was no question of soft corner for the CM, as he left the Janata Dal to join the "communal BJP". He said that just like Mohandas Gandhi is Mahatma Gandhi, his son was not a 'mahatma', and loved his drink. BJP hit back tweeting if he was referring to Indira Gandhi's son or Sonia Gandhi's son. They also raised questions about Siddaramaiah's late son Rakesh.

Surjewala to hold Cong meet in Mysuru

MYSURU: AICC General Secretary in-charge of Karnataka Randeep Singh Surjewala will hold a meeting with Congress leaders of Mysuru, Mandya, Hassan, Kodagu and Chikkamagaluru districts in Mysuru on Saturday. According to sources, this meeting will help boost the morale of the workers ahead of the local body polls.

Dam works: HDK seeks Prez's intervention

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

JANATA Dal (Secular) on Thursday sought the President's intervention on allowing the State Government to take up up irrigation projects in Karnataka.

Speaking to media persons after submitting a memorandum to Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot, addressed to the President, former chief minister HD Kumaraswamy said they are seeking the President's intervention and a directive to the Union Government to issue gazette notifications so that Karnataka can take up woks in the Upper Krishna Basin and in Mekedatu.

The JDS also urged the Centre to give necessary approvals to take up the Mekedatu balancing reservoir project.

"There is a politically motivated predetermined mindset prevailing in the Union Ministry of Jal Shakti and Central Water Commission to delay the Mekedatu project," the memorandum stated. The JDS leaders walked from Vidhana Soudha to Raj Bhavan to submit the memorandum.

Kumaraswamy said that the JDS will continue to fight for issues related to the state and depending on the Centre's response, they will decide on their future course of action. The former CM said a delegation of JDS leaders, led by party supremo HD Deve Gowda, will meet Prime Minister Narendra Modi and explain the "injustice done to the state."

JDS leaders, led by HD Kumaraswamy, take out a rally in Bengaluru on Thursday | ASHISHKRISHNA HP

'Janata Dal govt in Karnataka!'

HD Kumaraswamy said they will continue to support the State Government for the development of the state and hoped that the BJP leaders too will cooperate with Bommai. "Though Bommai is elected from BJP, we feel one of us from Janata Dal has become the CM. He is our friend and a well-wisher," he said, adding "it is a Janata Dal government."

Ananth Kumar's daughter calls JDS a strong political force, creates flutter

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VIJETA Ananth Kumar, daughter of BJP leader and former union minister late Ananth Kumar, created a flutter on social media on Thursday after hailing JDS as a "strong political force". While the tweet was aimed at starting a conversation- like many of her tweets in the past- it caught the attention of political enthusiasts and speculations began to fly high. "Why Karnataka politics is really interesting? JDS is still a very strong political force," she had tweeted JDS leaders, including former chief minister HD Kumaraswamy, took the tweet as a compliment and thanked Vijeta for the acknowledgement. "Thank you @vijeta_at for acknowledging it. When Shri Ananth Kumar Sir was representing he always stood for our state's interests. However, today, despite having 25 BJP MPs we've no one raising the voice for state. We will always be grateful for his contribution for our state..," said Prajwal Revanna, the lone JDS Lok Sabha MP from Karnataka and grandson of party patriarch HD Deve Gowda. While a host of JDS leaders and supporters welcomed Vijeta's statements, supporters of the BJP construed it as Vijeta cosying up to the JDS. Most speculations stemmed from the fact that Vijeta's mother Tejaswini Ananth Kumar was overlooked for a ticket from the Bengaluru Lok Sabha constituency in the 2019 General Elections to make way for Tejasvi Surya.

Tejaswini, a renowned social and environmental activist, was later appointed as BJP state vice-president. But she has largely stayed away from the businesses of the state unit of the party.

Why Karnataka politics is really interesting? JDS is still a very strong political force

– Vijeta Ananth Kumar

Thank you @vijeta_at for acknowledging it. When Shri Ananth Kumar Sir was representing he always stood for our state's interests

– Prajwal Revanna, MP

Schools' body gen secy attacked

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICES @ Bengaluru

IN a horrific incident, a gang of three masked men attacked the general secretary of the Private Schools' Association (KAMS) right in front of his house at Mutyalanagar near Vidyaranyapura on Thursday. Expressing shock, D Shashikumar said he was unaware about who the men were, or the reason behind the attack, but said he is horrified with the whole episode.

A CCTV clip of the attack shows Shashikumar getting down from his car on Thursday night around 9 pm, when suddenly a gang of three armed men rush towards him and begin striking him with weapons. Shashikumar then quickly gets back into the car to save himself.

Speaking to *The New Indian Express*, he said, "Around 9 pm, I returned home with my driver and got down to enter the house. Three men ran towards my car and hit me with an iron rod. I managed to get inside the car and closed the door, but the accused tried to break the glass," he said.

Saved by a licensed pistol

When Shashikumar apparently took out his licensed pistol, the attackers fled from the spot. "I have been carrying a licenced weapon for a few years now, as I have had threats earlier too. Two amongst the three of them were carrying lethal weapons when I chased them after getting down from the car," Shashikumar, who escaped with minor injuries on his leg and hands, added.

A senior police officer from Jalahalli police station said that efforts are on to nab the trio. The reason behind the attack is yet to be ascertained. It may be noted that Shashikumar has been vocal about non-payment of fees causing a collapse of private schools.

KSRTC driver mowed down

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A KSRTC bus driver was killed and another injured at the Majestic bus station in the wee hours of Thursday, owing to the alleged negligence by a KSRTC bus driver.

Upparpet traffic police have arrested the driver of the Airavat bus and further investigations are on. The deceased has been identified as Ningappa Anekal (44), and the injured is Ranjith Takur (21), a daily wager. He is currently under treatment at a private hospital and his condition is said to be stable.

Picture for representation

A senior police officer said that the incident occurred around 4.30 am, when KSRTC driver Ningappa had stopped the bus at the station and was standing outside to drink tea. Meanwhile, another driver Hanumanthappa drove in his Airavat bus fast, crashing into into the parked bus. Owing to the impact, Ningappa was stuck between the two buses while Takur, who was alighting from another bus, suffered leg injuries.

Pollution Control Board nod for Karwar port work illegal: HC

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICES @ Bengaluru

OBSERVING that the Karnataka State Pollution Control Board (KSPCB) acted in a manner that the very objective of the setting up of the Board is defeated, the Karnataka High Court held that the consent granted by the KSPCB on July 1, 2020, for the second stage development of the Karwar port in Uttara Kannada district, which is part of the Sagar Mala project, is illegal and stands vitiated. Therefore, the work cannot commence unless and until the consent for establishment is granted by the KSPCB in terms of this judgment, the court added.

IN THE HC

"The very purpose of establishment of the KSPCB was to achieve the object of prevention and control of water and air pollution. The KSPCB is required to act as a watchdog against pollution of air and water. But, in the present case, we are constrained to observe that KSPCB acted in a manner that the very objective of the setting up of the board is frustrated. Apart from the shocking manner in which KSPCB dealt with the application made by the Port Officer for grant of consent, the entire process is vitiated due to non-application of mind, non-consideration of relevant factors and the illegality in the decision-making process", the court said scathingly in the order pronounced on Thursday.

The court said that the KSPCB should decide the applications made for grant of consent in terms of the undertaking given before the court on June 15, 2021, preferably within a period of one month, subject to the observations made by the court.

"We direct the State Government and Director of Ports and Inland Water, Karwar, to ensure that all the terms and conditions of environment clearance, dated January 23, 2019, issued by the State-level Environment Impact Assessment Authority are scrupulously followed and implemented", said a division bench of Chief Justice Abhay Shreeniwas Oka and Justice Suraj Govindaraj.

The court also directed the state to comply with certain other conditions before the commencement of work.

PUBLIC NOTICE

(LOSS OF SALE DEED)

The General Public are hereby notice that my client Sri.Raghu.K, S/o late Sri.Krishnappa, residing at No.692-e, 4th Sector, Devanahalli Taluk, Devanahalli, Bengaluru Rural District-562110 and my client is the absolute owner of the property bearing New Khaneshumari No.65/61/1649/1522, Old No.1173/1152 measuring East to West: 13Gaja and North to South: 15Gaja and East to West: 2Gaja and North to South: 3Gaja registered as Document No. 1414/1971-72 dated 10.08.1971, Book No.1, Volume No.1082, in the office of Sub-Registrar Devanahalli. My Client has informed that while travel Majestic Bus Stop to Devanahlli he has lost the Original sale deed, after that his best effort to search he could not trace out the same in this regard, hence my client has lodged a complaint intimating the loss of said original vide **Lost Report No. 0017643/2021** to Crime Branch, Bengaluru City Police and it is requested to the General Public that the same is found they may be handed over to the address given below, it is made clear that if the above mentioned original sale deed is used for any wrongful and illegal purpose, my client would not be liable for the same.

Bengaluru, Dated: 29.07.2021

S.A.Law Associates, Advocate
No.29/1, Old No.54, G.flr. Nanjappa Road, K.H.Road Cross Shinthinagar, Bengaluru-27

DOCUMENTS LOST

I, **SUSHEELA SHARMA**, D/o Rukmanada Sharma, aged about 65 years, R/at Apartment No. G-2, K Block, Golden Orchid, Lavelle Road, Bengaluru-560 001 do hereby inform to the general public that I am the owner of the property bearing Sy. No. 66/2, Khata No. 88C-1/98, situated at Chikkasanne Village, Anneshwara Gram Panchayat, Kasaba Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District. I had purchased the above mentioned property on 21st day of October 2013 from Smt. Bratati Nag, registered as Document No. DNH-1-05591-2013-14, stored in CD No. DNHD350 in Book No. 01, in the office of the Devanahalli Sub-Registrar. I had lost few documents in the year 2016, I have now realised that along with those missing documents, I have also lost the Original Sale Deed, Tax Paid receipts and EC of the Said property. In spite of best efforts, I could not trace the same and on 28-07-2021, I had lodged complaint at Police Unit, Bengaluru City, Vide Lost Report No. 0016581/2021. If anybody finds the above said documents or is in possession, please hand over the same to the above said address or contact me on 9535611112.

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client Smt. Hemavathi W/o Late Srinivas, R/at House No.41, Vinayakanagara, Jigani Village & Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District, my client is the absolute owner of Jigani Grama Panchyath limits property bearing Sl. No. 586, Property No.545, House No.13, measuring 49 x 25 Sq.ft, East to West 49 feet and North to South 25 feet situated at Jigani Village & Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District, the property was registered in the office of sub-registrar at Anekal, document No.2947, Book No.1, Page-6. My client was lost original sale deed document of above said property on 23-07-2021 at Jigani Bus Stand, and my client lodge a complaint on 27-07-2021 and NCR No.444/2021, if anybody got the above said property documents please contact below mentioned.

H. CHINNASWAMY, Advocate
Krishnareddy Building, Mirza Road, Anekal Town.
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Name of the tender: (1) Supplying and commissioning of 250 KVA DG set Mangala Auditorium at Mangalore University Campus (ED/2019-20/EL/WORK_INDENT163/CALL-2), **Category:** Works, Date of publish through E-procurement: **16/07/2021 14:44:12**, Last date and time for submission of tenders: **30/07/2021 17:00:00**

(2) Providing Electrical Lift to the Administrative Block building at Mangalore University Campus, Mangalagangothri (ED/2021-22/OW/WORK_INDENT179), **Category:** Works, Date of publish through E-procurement: **19/07/2021 15:48:31**, Last date and time for submission of tenders: **03/08/2021 17:00:00**

(3) Providing 40 K.L.D capacity STP (Sewage Treatment Plant) for boys hostels at Mangalore University Campus, Mangalagangothri (ED/2021-22/CT/WORK_INDENT180), **Category:** Works, Date of publish through E-procurement: **19/07/2021 16:24:19**, Last date and time for submission of tenders: **03/08/2021 17:00:00**

DIPR/ADM/MCA/308/21-22 dt.29.07.2021 ಸಹಿ/- ಕುಲಸಚಿವರು

Government of Karnataka.
(Public Works Department)
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER PWD DIVISION BIDAR

NO:EE/PWD//Dvn/Bdr/TS-3/8443/2021-22/1074 Date: 28.07.2021

INVITATION FOR TENDERS

On behalf of Governor of Karnataka, The Executive Engineer, PWD Divn. Bidar invites Tenders from eligible Tenderers, for the works i.e., Work indent No: KPWD/2020-21/BD/WORK_INDENT135855 Amount for **Rs.191.00 Lakhs.** Tender documents may be downloaded from the public procurement portal of the Govt. of Karnataka Viz. http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in

Tenders must be submitted through public procurement portal on or before 16.00 hours up to 17.08.2021 Tenders will be opened on 18.08.2021 Further any other information can be seen from the public procurement portal or can be had from the undersigned.

DIPR/Bidar/102/MC&A/2021-22

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
PWD Divn. Bidar.

IN THE COURT OF THE XXX ADDL CITY CIVIL JUDGE AT BANGALORE
P & SC No. 283 OF 2021 (CCH-31)

PETITIONERS: 1. SMT. S. PARVATHI W/o K. Swaminathan, Aged about 55 years.
2. SRI. S. VIGNESH S/o Late K. Swaminathan, Aged about 29 years.
3. SRI. S. VENKATESH S/o Late K. Swaminathan, Aged about 26 years. All are residing at No.5, S-3, Suryakiran Apartments, Sultanpalya Main Road, R T Nagar Post, Bengaluru 560 032.

RESPONDENTS : NIL

Whereas the above name petitioners have made a petition to this Court (CCH-31) under Section 372 of Indian Succession Act, 1925, praying for issue of Succession Certificate in respect of the Schedule mentioned below, The below mentioned schedule was held by deceased K. Swaminathan, husband of the Petitioner No.1 and father of the petitioner No.2 and 3 herein, who expired on 30.12.2020.

Interested parties are hereby called to appear in this Court in person or by a pleader duly instructed on the **3rd day of September 2021 at 11'O clock** in forenoon to show cause against the petitioners failing which where-in, the appearance will be heard and considered. The respondents are nil.

SCHEDULE : All the entire amount deposited in Demat Account bearing No.IN302679-30496892 of deceased Sri. K. Swaminathan, ICICI Bank Demat Services, who was transacting the said Demat account through his joint Savings Bank account bearing No.000201026980 with 1st petitioner, ICICI Bank Limited, Raheja Towers, East Wing-II Floor, M G Road Branch, Bengaluru, valued at a sum of Rs.31,10,221.70/- (Rupees Thirty One Lakhs Ten Thousand Two Hundred and Twenty One and Seventy Paise only) as on 31.03.2021.

Given under my hand and seal of this Hon'ble Court on this 27.07.2021 at Bangalore.

BY ORDER OF THE COURT, Asst Registrar, City Civil Court, Bangalore

Advocate for Petitioners:
H. S. SATHISH KUMAR, Advocate
No.360, 8th Main, 3rd Stage, 4th Block, Basaveshwaranagar, Bengaluru 560 079.

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
District Urban Development Cell, DC Office, Ballari
Phone: 08392-273465 E-mail ID: dudc_ bellary@yahoo.co.in

No:DUDC/3rdparty/Ballari & Vijayanagara/01/2021-22 Date: 28.07.2021

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

The Deputy commissioner, Ballari District, Ballari Invites tenders in two cover system using standard tender for Providing Services as 3rd Party (Third Party) Inspection and Monitoring for all Development & Maintenance Works, Procurement of Goods & Services Works under Various Funds for ULB's in Ballari & Vijayanagara District for the year 2021-22

Sl. No	Name of the Works & Indent No	Amount Put to tender for 3rd party consultancy charges	EMD Amount
01	Package - 1: Providing Services as 3rd Party (Third Party) Inspection and monitoring for all Development & Maintenance Works, Procurement of Goods & Services Works under Various Funds for CC Ballari, CMC Siruguppa, TMC Kurugoudu, Kurekuppa, Sandur, Kampli, TP Tekkalkote & TP Kudathini ULBs in Ballari District for the year 2021-22 (DUDC/ThirdParty/Ballari Dist/P-1/2021-22)	Rs 60.00 lakhs	Attach EMD declaration form as per govt order No :FD/675/EXP-12/2020, Bangalore Date:22.12.2021
02	Package - 2: Providing Services as 3rd Party (Third Party) Inspection and monitoring for all Development & Maintenance Works, Procurement of Goods & Services Works under Various Funds for CMC Hosapete, TMC Hagaribommanahalli, Hoovinahadagali & Harapanahalli, TP Kamalapura, Kudligi, Kotturu, & Mariyammanahalli ULBs in VIJAYANAGARA Dist for the year 2021-22 (DUDC/Thirdparty/V Nagar Dist/P2/2021-22)	Rs 43.00 lakhs	Attach EMD declaration form as per govt order No :FD/675/EXP-12/2020, Bangalore Date:22.12.2021

Interested Agencies / Firms shall register on the e-procurement platform to participate in this tender. Agencies/Firms can download the tender documents from the e-procurement platform. Tenders shall be submitted electronically & EMD and tenders processing fee shall also be paid electronically.

Pre Bid Meeting date & time for tender queries / clarifications	03.08.2021 at 11.00 Hrs
Last date & time for tender queries / clarifications	07.08.2021 at 17.30 Hrs
Last date and time for receipt of tenders	09.08.2021 at 16.30 hrs
Date & time for opening of (technical bids)	10.08.2021 at 17.00 Hrs
Auto extension of tender schedule	03 days

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STATEMENT OF STANDALONE & CONSOLIDATED UNAUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE QUARTER ENDED 30TH JUNE 2021

(Rs. in Crores)

S. No	Particulars	Standalone			Consolidated		
		Quarter ended		Year ended	Quarter ended		Year ended
		30.06.2021	30.06.2020	31.03.2021	30.06.2021	30.06.2020	31.03.2021
		(Unaudited)		(Audited)	(Unaudited)		(Audited)
1	Total income	3,935.95	1,434.32	16,783.51	4,692.03	1,946.35	19,468.04
2	Net Profit / (Loss) (before Tax, Exceptional items)	102.33	(189.60)	826.24	33.37	(240.87)	830.99
3	Net Profit / (Loss) before tax (after Exceptional items)	72.17	(189.60)	826.24	(3.37)	(240.87)	821.63
4	Net Profit / (Loss) (after tax, Exceptional items)	53.15	(139.07)	612.04	(14.72)	(182.79)	607.50
5	Total Comprehensive Income / (Loss) for the period [Comprising Profit / (Loss) for the period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income/(Loss) (after tax)]	55.70	(101.52)	719.13	7.83	(133.90)	723.24
6	Equity share capital (Face value of Re.1/- each)	47.51	47.51	47.51	47.51	47.51	47.51
7	Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserve)	-	-	4,123.44	-	-	3,779.10
8	Earnings Per Share (Face value of Re. 1/- each) (not annualised) (i) Basic (in Rs.) (ii) Diluted (in Rs.)	1.12 1.12	(2.93) (2.93)	12.88 12.88	(0.22) (0.22)	(3.78) (3.78)	12.51 12.51

Note:

The above is an extract of the detailed format of financial results filed with the Stock Exchanges under Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The full format of the financial results are available on the Stock Exchange websites (www.bseindia.com and www.nseindia.com) and on Company's website (www.tvsmotor.com).

Place : Chennai
Date : 29th July 2021

For TVS Motor Company Limited
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PUBLIC NOTICE

My client **Mr. ANANDA .K.** S/o. Late. Krishnappa, Residing at "Shruthi", No.17 Muniswamappa Block, Church Street, 2nd Right, Lingarajapura, St.Thomas Town Post, Bangalore - 560 084, has lost the original Registered Sale Deed bearing document No. 22003/2004-05 dated 17/11/2004, Book-1, stored in CD No. KRID85, before the Head Quarter Sub registrar, K.R. Puram, Bangalore. If any person finds the same may deliver to the undersigned within seven days from today.

K. Ajayakumar, Advocate,
AJAY & ASSOCIATES,
18, 1st floor, Thimmaiah Garden,
Devegowda Road, R .T. Nagar Post,
Bangalore - 560 032. Ph.
(0) 23335132 and 8048506640,
Mob.9880140512

Form No. 22
General Notice in respect of Interlocutary Application
IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU
MFA No. 8329 / 2015 (MV-DB)
C/W MFA No. 8330/2015

Appellants: SRI KUMAR @ VENKATESH, S/O LATE MUNIYAPPA, AGED ABOUT 41 YEARS, R/AT NO.467, 2ND MAIN, A CROSS, AMBEDKAR NAGAR, OLD BAIPANAHALLI, BANGALORE-560033 AND OTHERS.

...APPELLANTS IN MFA No. 8329/2015

Appellant: SRI KUMAR @ VENKATESH, S/O LATE MUNIYAPPA, AGED ABOUT 41 YEARS, R/AT NO.467, 2ND MAIN, A CROSS, AMBEDKAR NAGAR, OLD BAIPANAHALLI, BANGALORE-560033. ... **APPELLANT IN MFA No. 8330/2015**

By Sri VASANTHAPPA, ADV

-V/s-

Respondents: M/S IFFCO TOKIO GENERAL INSURANCE CO. LTD., MOTOR CLAIMS HUB, NO.141, 4TH FLOOR, SRI SHANTHI TOWERS, OPP: CUPA, 3RD MAIN, EAST OF NGEF LAYOUT, KASTURINAGAR, BENGALURU-560043 AND ANOTHER. ... **COMMON RESPONDENTS IN BOTH THE APPEALS**

To, **Respondent No. 2 (COMMON IN BOTH THE APPEALS)**

SRI VENKATESH BABU, S/O SRI VENKATA SHETTY, NO.134, CBI ROAD, KOTE KUNIGAL TOWN, TUMKUR DISTRICT-572101.

Whereas the above named appellant has preferred I.A No. 1/2015 & I.A No. 2/2015 as in the copy annexed hereunto, praying this court to condone the delay of 92 days & 90 days respectively, in filing the above Appeal against the Judgement/Award/Order passed on 18/04/2015 in M.V.C. Number 1123/2014 & M.V.C. No. 1124/2014 respectively on the file of the II ADDL. SMALL CAUSES JUDGE AND XXVIII ACMM, MACT, AT BENGALURU, SCCH-13.

E/Notice is hereby given to you to appear in this Court in person or through an advocate or through someone duly authorised to act for you in this matter on **02/09/2021 at 10.30 a.m.,** to show cause why the application should not be allowed. If you fail to appear, the application will be dealt with, heard and decided in your absence.

Given under my hand and the seal of this court on 26-07-2021.

By order of the Court, VENKATESHAIAH, Assistant Registrar, Bangalore.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are hereby notified that, my client **Sri. SEKH EKRAM** S/o Sri Golam Mostafa, and **Sri. S.K. JAYNAL ABEDIN** S/o Sri. Golam Mostafa, R/at No 67, Haripal Ashutosh Hooghly, Basuri, Hooghly, West Bengal-712403, had intended to purchase the below mentioned Schedule property from its lawful owner. **Sri. ABDUL NADEEM** S/o Sri. Late. Abdul Kareem, aged about 30 years, R/at No. 83/11, Guddadahalli Extension, 14th Cross, BBMP Ward No. 42, Bapujinagara, Mysore Road, Bengaluru 560026.

Any person or persons, Bank, financial institutions etc, having any valid right, title interest or any claim over the Schedule Property or any portions of it in any manner may with documentary evidence lodge their objections/ claim within 10 days from the date of this notice with the undersigned, if no valid objections are received within the stipulated date, our client shall proceed on the basis that them are no claims of whatsoever nature with regard to the Schedule property.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All the piece and parcel of immovable property of residential house bearing No- 83/11, Situated at Guddadahalli Extension, BBMP Ward No. 42, 14th Cross, Bapujinagara, Bengaluru, PID No. 42-40-83/11 measuring to extent of East to West 22 feet + 18 Feet/2 and North to South 20 feet, in all measuring 400 Square feet. Along with Residential Building Consisting of Ground, Second and Third Floor in all totally measuring 1200 Sqft, Built with RCC Roof, Cement flooring, Wall built with Halow block and Cement, Doors Jungle wood, Aluminum windows, and bounded by **East by:** Private Property, **West by:** Site No 34, **North by:** Road, **South by:** Remaining portion of the same property.

SHYAMA SUNDAR, Advocate
M/s S.S. Associates,
Advocates and Solicitors
No. 14/97, 2nd Main, 3rd Cross,
Behind Muneshwara Temple, Kaveri Nagar,
Mahadevapura Post, Bangalore-560048.
Mobile: 9945215327 Date: 29-7-2021

PUBLIC NOTICE

Our clients propose to purchase the Schedule Property from the owners viz., Mr. DIWAKAR M. SHETTY, S/o Late M.M.Shetty and Mrs. REKHA D SHETTY, W/o Mr. Diwakar M.Shetty, Both residents of # 9, 2nd "B" Main Road, Kempanna Brothers Layout, Palace Guttahalli, Bangalore- 560020.

Any person or persons having any manner of right, title or interest in the Schedule Property or objections for the proposed sale may lodge the same with the undersigned along with the supporting legal documents within 15 days from the date of publication of this notice failing which, our client shall complete the sale transaction. Any Claims/Objections received beyond the stipulated period will not be entertained.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

ITEM NO.1:

All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing No. 98/36 Khata No. 15030070010100107, (formerly being the Industrially converted undeveloped land bearing Survey No.36 of Doddakarenahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk measuring 4 Acres 15 Guntas), Situated at Doddakarenahalli, Nelamangala Taluk, within the revenue administrative jurisdiction of Yentaganahalli Gram Panchyat and including all rights, privileges and appurtenances thereto and site measuring 17704.93 Square Meters and bounded on the:

EAST BY :: Sola Devanahalli Road
WEST BY :: Property of Mr.Nanjappa
NORTH BY :: Kunigal Road
SOUTH BY :: Property belonging to Mr.Gangaiah

ITEM NO.2:

All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing No.126/26/1, Khata No. 15030070010010159, (formerly being the Industrially converted undeveloped land bearing Survey No..26 of Yentaganahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk measuring 4 Acres 14 Guntas), Situated at Yentaganahalli, Nelamangala Taluk, within the revenue administrative jurisdiction of Yentaganahalli Gram Panchyat and including all rights, privileges and appurtenances thereto and site measuring 17603.75 Square Meters and bounded on the:

EAST BY :: Property belonging to Mr.Cherian
WEST BY :: Survey No.25 belonging to Mr.Madaiah
NORTH BY :: Boundary of Doddakarenahalli
SOUTH BY :: Survey No.27 belonging to Mr. Rudraiah

Mr.N. JAIPRAKASH RAO
Mrs. VEENA RAO
Mr. N.ASHOK KUMAR
ADVOCATES
"JAYPEE ASSOCIATES" LAW FIRM
No.39, 1st Cross Malleswaram
BANGALORE-560 003.

Bangalore
Date- 29-07-2021

IN THE COURT OF THE PRINCIPAL JUNIOR CIVIL JUDGE AND JMFC AT DEVANAHALLI

C.Mis No. 115/2021

BETWEEN : 1. Smt. Lalithamma, W/o late Munishamappa, 57 years, **2. Lokesh,** S/o late Munishamappa, 35 years, **3. Smt. Shwetha,** W/o Prem Kumar S/o late Munishamappa, 33 years, **4. Sri. Rajesh,** S/o late Munishamappa, 30 years, Both are R/at. Singahalli Village, Jala Hobli, Yelahanka Taluk, Bangalore Urban District. **...Petitioners**

AND : The Tahasildar, Yelahanka Taluk, Yelahanka. **...Respondent**

GENERAL NOTICE TO PUBLICS

Whereas, the petitioners have filed the above petition seeking direction to the Tahesidar of Yelahanka for issuance of death certificate of 1 to 4th Petitioners Father by name. Munishamappa S/o Late Narayanappa, who died on 27-10-1997, at Singahalli Village, Jala Hobli, Yelahanka Taluk, Bangalore Urban District, same is posted for the appearance of interested parties **on date 31-08-2021 at 11 A.M.** before the above said court. Any interested parties shall appear in person/pleader, failing which the above case will be dispose as ex-parte.

Given under my hand and seal of the court this day of 20.7.2021.

By order of the Court, Chief Ministerial Officer, Civil Judge & JMFC Court, Devanahalli.

ANJAN KUMAR .R, Advocate
Office at: No.92, Srinidhi Law Chamber Building, Singahalli, Jala Hobli, Yelahanka Town, Bangalore Urban District. Mobile No.9902882116

IN THE COURT OF THE PRINCIPAL JUNIOR CIVIL JUDGE AND JMFC AT DEVANAHALLI

C.Mis No. 118/2021

BETWEEN : 1. Sri. Krishnappa, S/o late Munishamappa, 70 years, **2. Sri. Muniyappa,** S/o late Munishamappa, 66 years, **3. Sri. Narayanappa,** S/o late Munishamappa, 64 years, **4. Sri. Govindappa,** S/o late Munishamappa, 60 years, **5.Smt. Krishnamma,** W/o Narayanswami, D/o late Munishamappa, 68 years, **6. Smt. Venkatamma,** W/o Narayanswami, D/o late Munishamappa, 63years, Both are R/at. SingahalliVillage, Jalahobli, Yelahanka Taluk, Bangalore Urban District. **...Petitioners**

AND : The Tahasildar, Yelahanka Taluk, Yelahanka. **...Respondent**

GENERAL NOTICE TO PUBLICS

Whereas, the petitioners have filed the above petition seeking direction to the Tahesidar of Yelahanka for issuance of death certificate of 1 to 6th Petitioners Mother by name. **Pillamma W/o Late Munishamappa,** who died on 06-04-2011, at Singahalli Village, Jala Hobli, Yelahanka Taluk, Bangalore Urban District, same is posted for the appearance of interested parties **on date 19-08-2021 at 11 A.M.** before the above said court. Any interested parties shall appear in person/pleader, failing which the above case will be dispose as ex-parte.

Given under my hand and seal of the court this day of 20.7.2021.

By order of the Court, Chief Ministerial Officer, Civil Judge & JMFC Court, Devanahalli.

ANJAN KUMAR .R, Advocate,
Office at: No.92, Srinidhi Law Chamber Building, Singahalli, Jala Hobli, Yelahanka Town, Bangalore Urban District. Mobile No.9902882116

PUBLIC NOTICE

Change of Name from
M/s. SJR PRIME HOMES PRIVATE LIMITED (Old Name) to TRU WINDCHIMES PRIVATE LIMITED
Before, Registrar of Companies, Bangalore,
Ministry of Corporate Affairs.

In the Matter of the Companies Act, 2013, pursuant to the provisions of Section 4(4) of the Companies Act, 2013 read with rule 9 of the Companies (Incorporation) Rules, 2014 and other applicable provisions, if any, of the Companies Act, 2013 including any statutory modification or alteration thereof.

In the matter of **M/s. SJR PRIME HOMES PRIVATE LIMITED** having registered office at THE HUB S.Y. NO. 8/2, SARJAPUR ROAD, AMBALIPURA VILLAGE, VARTHUR HOBLI, BANGALORE EAST, BANGALORE KARNATAKA - 560102.

Notice is hereby given to the general public that the company made an application to ROC, Bangalore on 03rd April 2021 under the Companies Act, 2013 read with aforesaid rules and for change of Name from **M/s. SJR PRIME HOMES PRIVATE LIMITED (Old Name) to TRU WINDCHIMES PRIVATE LIMITED** vide Special Resolution passed in the Extra-Ordinary General Meeting held on 22nd March 2021 to enable the company to give effect for such name change.

FOR SJR PRIME HOMES PRIVATE LIMITED
V Narasimha Reddy
Director
(DIN: 06766983)

Date: 26.07.2021
Place: Bangalore

YOGAKSHEMAM LOANS LIMITED

B-16-00103, Door No. 28/449/1, Yogakshemam Appartment
Thiruvambady P.O., Thrissur – 680 022

GOLD AUCTION NOTICE

The borrowers, in specific and the public, in general, are hereby notified that public auction of the gold ornaments of pledged in the below accounts is proposed to be conducted at the following branches on **16.08.2021** from 10 a.m. onwards. We are auctioning gold ornaments of defaulted customers who have failed to make payment of his/her loan amount despite being notified by registered letters. Unauctioned items shall be auctioned on any other days without further notice. Changes in venue or date (if any) will be displayed at auction centre and on website without any further notice. List of Pledges:

BANNARGHATTA : 210123101031, 1033, 1035, 1037, 1046, 1051, 1053, 1054, 1056, 1057, 1061, 1062, 1063, 1064, 1066, 1068, 1069, 1073, 1075, 1077, 1078. **CHIKKABANAVARA** : 210127101622, 1623, 1630, 1638, 1652, 1653, 1654, 1655, 1657, 1663, 1664, 1666, 1676, 1677, 1680, 1681, 1683, 1696, 1705, 1706, 1708, 1709, 1719, 1721, 1726, 1729, 1735, 2053, 2065. **DODDABOMMASANDRA** : 210133100975, 977, 980, 983, 993, 1005, 1011, 1015, 1024, 1027. **GAURIBIDANUR** : 210144100000, 6, 8, 12, 16, 17, 18, 19, 23, 26, 30, 31, 32, 35, 38, 39, 49, 58, 65, 69, 70, 74, 359. **HOSAKOTE** : 210128102730, 2737, 2738, 2745, 2750, 2753, 2762, 2763, 2780, 2781, 2783, 2789, 2795, 2802, 2803, 2804, 2810, 2817, 2818, 2819, 2820, 2822, 2823, 2824, 2827, 2829, 2830, 2837, 2841, 2846, 2848, 2856, 2864, 2871, 2878, 2880, 2884, 2885, 2886, 2887. **J P NAGAR** : 210119104463*, 4465, 4468, 4470, 4472, 4478, 4480, 4481, 4482, 4483, 4485, 4486, 4490, 4498, 4501, 4505, 4506, 4507, 4510, 4515, 4516, 4517, 4521, 4522, 4523, 4525, 4526. **KAMNANAHALLI** : 210118103689, 3690, 3691, 3692, 3693, 3696, 3697, 3698, 3702, 3703, 3704, 3705, 3709, 3712, 3713, 3716, 3719, 3720, 3723, 3725, 3733, 3736, 3744, 3754, 3756, 3758, 3759, 3764, 3766, 3768, 3770, 3773, 3774, 3775, 3777, 3779, 3781, 3782, 3785, 3788, 3791, 3792, 3796, 3798, 3815, 4079, 4080, 4120. **KATHRIKUPPA** : 210131101085, 1087, 1091, 1092, 1093, 1094, 1114, 1117, 1127, 130, 1131, 1445, 1566, 1421. **WILSON GARDEN** : 210132100755, 758, 760, 761, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 796, 799, 800, 802, 803, 804, 805, 814, 817, 819. **MATHIKERE** : 210114105589 : 5595, 5597, 5601, 5610, 5626, 5633, 5634, 5635, 5636, 5639, 5640, 5642, 5643, 5645, 5646, 5649, 5650, 5651, 5652, 5653, 5654, 5656, 5660, 5661, 5662, 5663, 5674, 5960. **NELAMANGALA** : 210140100252 : 253, 255, 257, 263, 265, 268, 269, 272, 274, 281, 296, 297, 298, 301, 314, 315, 317, 322, 324, 332, 334, 335, 336, 340, 341, 343, 347, 348. **PEENIYA** : 210134101364 : 1380, 1392, 1402, 1404, 1405, 1406, 1407, 1408, 1409, 1415, 1418, 1419, 1420, 1421, 1431, 1438, 1449, 1452, 1791, 1779. **RT NAGAR** : 210111104901, 4903, 4910, 4915, 4916, 4917, 4918, 4921, 4926, 4929, 4935, 4939, 4940, 4943, 4946, 4947, 4949, 4950, 4951, 4952, 4953, 4961, 4964, 4966, 4967, 4969, 4970, 4971, 4972, 4973, 4974, 4975, 4977, 4978, 4983, 4986, 4987, 4988, 4992, 4995, 4996, 5008, 5010, 5512, 5500, 5591. **SUNKADAKATTE** : 210115104109, 4116, 4117, 4121, 4122, 4123, 4124, 4125, 4129, 4130, 4137, 4139, 4151, 4155, 4162, 4165, 4168, 4170, 4171, 4175, 4177, 4178, 4179, 4183, 4191, 4195, 4196, 4202, 4207, 4212, 4215, 4219, 4220, 4227, 4228, 4653. **T DASARAHALLI** : 210121101905, 1911, 1914, 1915, 1917, 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921, 1923, 1927, 1936, 1938, 1939, 1941, 1942, 1944, 1945, 1950, 1952, 1963, 1957, 1960, 1961, 1966, 1967, 1977, 1979. **YELAHANKA** : 210139100004. **MALUR** : 210135101792, 1797, 1800, 1801, 1804, 1807, 1808, 1811, 1817, 1821, 1825, 1826, 1827, 1835, 1837, 1845, 1847, 1848, 1855, 1859, 1862, 1866, 1880, 1883, 1884, 1889, 1893, 1895, 1896, 1903, 1908, 1911, 1912, 1921, 2329. **VIGNANA NAGAR** : 210130100418, 419, 428, 429, 432, 433, 436, 500, 547, 543, 527. **CHANNAPATNA** : 210141100035, 37, 41, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 64, 65, 76, 313, 319. **RAMNAGAR** : 210142100055, 57, 62, 73, 81, 87, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 99, 102, 103, 106, 107, 110, 118, 119, 120.

Persons wishing to participate in the above auction shall comply with the following:- Interested Bidders should submit **Rs. 25,000/-** or 2% of the reserve price whichever is less (refundable to unsuccessful bidders) by way of DD (Drawn on Yogakshemam Loans Ltd.) one day prior to the auction. Bidders should carry valid ID card / PAN card. For more details please contact: **0487-2335719.**

Authorised Officer,
Yogakshemam Loans Ltd.

CITY UNION BANK LIMITED

Credit Recovery and Management Department
Administrative Office : No. 24-B, Gandhi Nagar,
Kumbakonam - 612 001. **E-Mail id :** crmd@cityunionbank.in,
Ph : 0435-2432322, **Fax :** 0435-2431746

TENDER-CUM-AUCTION SALE NOTICE UNDER SARFAESI ACT 2002

The following property/ies mortgaged to **City Union Bank Limited** will be sold in Tender-cum-Public Auction by the Authorised Officer of the Bank, under Rule 8 (6) & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, under the SARFAESI Act, 2002, for recovery of a sum of **Rs.1,03,58,508/- (Rupees One Crore Three Lakh Fifty Eight Thousand Five Hundred and Eight Only)** as on **27-07-2021** together with further interest to be charged from **28-07-2021** onwards and other expenses, any other dues to the Bank by the borrowers / guarantors **No.1) M/s. Udaya & Co, No.15, Ground Floor, 1st Stage, J.C.Road, Bangalore - 560027. No.2) Mrs. P. Devi, W/o. P. Suresh Kumar, No.800, 14th Cross, J.P. Nagar, 1st Phase, Bangalore - 560078. No.3) Mr. P. Suresh Kumar, S/o. P. Govind Chetty, No.800, 14th Cross, J.P. Nagar, 1st Phase, Bangalore - 560078. No.4) M/s. Dhanalakshmi Constructions, D.No.17-440, Sheela Complex, Sundariar Street, Chittoor - 517001.**

Note : That our **139-Bengaluru-Indira Nagar Branch** has also extended Financial Assistance (FITL - ADHOC:501912090016783) dated **30-09-2020** requested by No.1 of you represented by No. 2 of you as Proprietrix for which No.3 of you stood as Co-obligant and Nos. 2 and 3 of you stood as Guarantors for the facility for a total amount of **Rs. 9,12,000/-** at a ROI of **12.5%.** The same has been also classified as **NPA** on **30-11-2020** and the outstanding balance as on **27-07-2021** is **Rs.10,20,755/- (Rupees Ten Lakh Twenty Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty Five Only)** plus further interest and penal interest of 2.00% with monthly rests to be charged from **28-07-2021** till the date of realization.

Immovable Property Mortgaged to our Bank
(Property Owned by Mrs. P. Devi, W/o. P. Suresh Kumar)

All that piece and parcel of the Vacant Site property bearing No.1 formed in converted lands in Sy.Nos.96 & 97 of Dommasandra Village in the Residential Layout called Shanthi Niketan situated at Dommasandra Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore Measuring : East to West 40 feet and North to South 30 feet, totally measuring 1,200 sq.feet, formed as per the plan sanctioned by the Bangalore Development Authority vide Layout Plan vide No.BDA/TMP/PL/235/2008-09/1953/2009-10 dated 22-09-2009. Boundaries : East by : Road, West by : Private Property, North by : Private Property, South by : Site No.2.

Reserve Price : Rs.35,00,000/-
(Rupees Thirty Five Lakh Only)

AUCTION DETAILS

Date of Tender-cum-Auction Sale	Venue
08-09-2021	City Union Bank Limited, Bengaluru-Indira Nagar Branch, No.194, Ground Floor, 7th Cross, I Stage, Indira Nagar, Bengaluru - 560038. Telephone No.080-25205030 Cell No. 9341003179.

Terms and Conditions of Tender-cum-Auction Sale:

(1) The intending bidders should be present in person for the auction and participate personally and give a declaration in writing to the effect that he/she is bidding for himself / herself. **(2)** The intending bidders may obtain the Tender Forms from **The Manager, City Union Bank Limited, Bengaluru-Indira Nagar Branch, No.194, Ground Floor, 7th Cross, I Stage, Indira Nagar, Bengaluru - 560038. (3)** The intending bidders should submit their bids only in the Tender Form prescribed in sealed envelopes addressed to **The Authorised Officer, City Union Bank Ltd.,** together with a Pay Order / Demand Draft for an EMD of **10%** of the Reserve Price, drawn in favour of **"City Union Bank Ltd.", on or before 12.00 Noon** on the date of Tender-cum-Auction Sale hereby notified. **(4)** For inspection of the property and other particulars, the intending purchaser may contact **Telephone No.080-25205030 Cell No. 9341003179. (5)** The property/ies are sold on "As-is-where-is", "As-is-what-is" and "whatever-there is" basis. **(6)** The sealed tenders will be opened in the presence of the intending bidders at **01.00 p.m.** on the date of Tender-cum-Auction Sale hereby notified. Though in general the sale will be by way of closed tenders, the Authorised Officer may, at his sole discretion, conduct an Open Auction among the interested bidders who desire to quote a bid higher than the one received in the closed tender process, and in such an event, the sale shall be conferred on the person making highest bid. The sale, however, is subject to confirmation of City Union Bank Limited. **(7)** The successful bidder shall have to pay **25% (inclusive of EMD paid)** of the sale amount **immediately** on completion of sale and the balance amount of **75%** within **15 days** from the date of confirmation of sale, failing which the initial deposit of **25%** shall be forfeited. **(8)** The Sale Certificate will be issued by the Authorised Officer in favour of the successful purchaser only after receipt of the entire sale consideration within the time limit stipulated herein. **(9)** The successful purchaser shall bear the charges/fees payable for conveyance, such as stamp duty, registration fee etc., as applicable under law. **(10)** The successful bidder should pay the statutory dues (lawful house tax, electricity charges and other dues), TDS, GST if any, due to Government, Government Undertaking and local bodies. **(11)** The Authorised Officer shall have all the powers to accept or reject the bids or postpone or cancel the sale without assigning any reason whatsoever.

Place: Kumbakonam, Date: 29-07-2021 **Authorised Officer**

Regd. Office : 149, T.S.R. (Big) Street, Kumbakonam, Thanjavur District, Tamil Nadu - 612 001, **CIN -** L65110TN1904PLC001287, **Telephone No.** 0435-2402322, **Fax :** 0435-2431746, **Website :** www.cityunionbank.com

RAIL COACH FACTORY, KAPURTHALA

On-line bids are invited by PCMM, RCF on behalf of President of India for following items:-

Sr. No.	Tender No. & Due Date	Description	Qty.(NOS./ Sets)	EMD (₹)
1.	07211454 20.08.2021	Double Ferrule Pipe & Pipe Fittings	50 Set	80,740/-
2.	12211143A 19.08.2021	i) NON AC AREA CEILING ARRANGEMENT FOR LHB AC 3-TIER COACHES	152 Nos	4,23,470/-
		ii) NON AC AREA CEILING ARRANGEMENT FOR LHB AC2T COACHES	67 Nos	
3.	17211416 24.08.2021	Entrance Door Assly - 2 Types	300 Nos 150 Nos	2,62,050/-
4.	04211045 25.08.2021	Ferritic Steel sheet	52402 Kgs.	1,53,350/-

1. For details and making On-line bids, visit Website **http://ireps.gov.in**. Drawings/ specifications, wherever required can be downloaded from RCF Website **http://www.rcf.indianrailways.gov.in**. Class IIIb digital signature certificate required for on-line bidding, can be obtained from licensed certifying agencies listed at **http://www.cce.gov.in**. **2.** Tenders will close at 14.25 Hrs. on due date and tender will be opened at 14.30 Hrs. Tenders Sr. No. 2 & 3 will be opened at RCF Kapurthala and Sr. No. 1 & 4 will be opened at Tilak Bridge, New Delhi. **3.** For queries, contact IREPS helpdesk at 011-24102855,011-24105180 or RCF helpdesk at 011-23378658.

Note: GST Number of RCF is 03AAAGM0289C1ZT. All the suppliers are advised to quote this in dispatch documents for the supplier made by them. **PCMM**

CORRIGENDUM

The following amendment is authorized against **Tender No. 14211056A for procurement of Thermal Insulation** due Date to be read as on **10.08.2021** instead of **06.08.2021, Added in description** to be read as on **MDTS-28001 REVISION 03 AND AMENDMENT -1 AS ISSUED BY DESIGN VIDE LETTER NO MD22151 DATED 03/07/2021** instead of MDTS-28001 Revision 03 and **Added in SN/3 after (e) of Eligibility Criteria** to be read as on **"Test Reports for resistance to fungi and water absorption test as per MDTS-28001 Rev.03 from reputed lab shall be submitted".** **PCMM**

No.: G-RCF/122-01/Stores/044/2021-22 **Dated: 29.07.2021**

CITY UNION BANK LIMITED

Credit Recovery and Management Department
Administrative Office : No. 24-B, Gandhi Nagar,
Kumbakonam - 612 001. **E-Mail id :** crmd@cityunionbank.in,
Ph : 0435-2432322, **Fax :** 0435-2431746

POSSESSION NOTICE (Immovable Properties)

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of **City Union Bank Ltd.,** having its **Administrative Office** at **No.24-B, Gandhi Nagar, Kumbakonam - 612 001** and one of the Branch Offices at **No.324, 3rd A Cross, First Phase, Yelahanka New Town, Bengaluru, Bengaluru Rural** under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13(2) & (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice dated **16-04-2021** calling upon the borrowers **No.1) Mr. N. Narayana, S/o. Nanjappa, No.94, 5th Cross, Aswath Nagar, Bangalore South, Bangalore - 560037. Also at Mr. N. Narayana, S/o. Nanjappa, No.457, 5th Cross, Aswathnagar, Marathahalli, Bangalore - 560037 . No.2) Mrs. Seethamma, W/o. N. Narayana, No.94, 5th Cross, Aswath Nagar, Bangalore South, Bangalore - 560037. Also at Mrs. Seethamma, W/o. N. Narayana, No.457, 5th Cross, Aswathnagar, Marathahalli, Bangalore - 560037. No.3) Mr. N Manjunath, S/o. Narayana, No.94, 5th Cross, Aswath Nagar, Bangalore South, Bangalore - 560037. Also at Mr. N. Manjunath, S/o. Narayana, No.457, 5th Cross, Aswathnagar, Marathahalli, Bangalore - 560037. No.4) Mr. N. Ravikumar, S/o. Narayana, No.94, 5th Cross, Aswath Nagar, Bangalore South, Bangalore - 560037. Also at Mr. N. Ravikumar, S/o. Narayana, No.457, 5th Cross, Aswathnagar, Marathahalli, Bangalore - 560037** to repay the amount mentioned in the Notice being **Rs.1,43,10,408/- (Rupees One Crore Forty Three Lakh Ten Thousand Four Hundred and Eight Only)** within 60 days from the date of the said Notice with subsequent interest thereon from **10-04-2021** with monthly rests.

The borrowers above named having failed to repay the amount despite the receipt of the above referred statutory notice, NOTICE is hereby given to the borrowers above named and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the Properties described herein below in exercise of the powers conferred on him under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules on this 26th day of July 2021.

The borrowers above named in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of City Union Bank Ltd. for an amount of **Rs. 1,48,28,225/- (Rupees One Crore Forty Eight Lakh Twenty Eight Thousand Two Hundred and Twenty Five Only)** as on **25-07-2021** and interest thereon from **26-07-2021** till the repayment of entire dues.

The borrowers' attention is invited to provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Immovable Properties Mortgaged to our Bank
Schedule - A : (Property Owned by Mr. N. Narayana, S/o. Nanjappa & Mrs. Seethamma, W/o. N. Narayana)

All that piece and parcel of the property bearing No.457 out of Sy. No.100, BBMP Ward No.86, Aswath Nagar, BBMP Khatha No.882, Site No.457, Sy. No.100, Munnekolalu Village, 5th Cross, Aswathnagar Marathahali, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore, measuring East to West 21 feet, North to South 41 feet. Boundaries : East by : Property belonging to Muniyamma, West by : Property belonging to Rathnamma, North by : Road, South by : Property belonging to Kaveramma.

Schedule - B : (Property Owned by Mr. N. Narayana, S/o. Nanjappa)

All that piece and parcel of Site No.94, Khatha No.599, BBMP Khatha No.KTR, No.1197/10-12, MR No.36/11-12, 5th Cross, Ashwath Nagar, Munnekolalu Village, 5th Cross, Marathahalli Ward No.86, Marathahalli Post, Bangalore-measuring East to West-20 feet, North to South 30 feet. Boundaries : East by : Property belonging to Smt. Yellemma's House No.95, West by : Property belonging to Sri Annayyappa N. House No.941, North by : Government Road, South by : Property belonging to Sri Munnireddy's House No.84.

Place : Bengaluru-Yelahanka, Date : 26-07-2021 **Authorised Officer**

Regd. Office : 149, T.S.R. (Big) Street, Kumbakonam, Thanjavur District, Tamil Nadu - 612 001, **CIN -** L65110TN1904PLC001287, **Telephone No.** 0435-2402322, **Fax :** 0435-2431746, **Website :** www.cityunionbank.com

NKGSB Bank

NKGSB Co-op. Bank Ltd.
(Multi-State Scheduled Bank)

Regd. Office:
"Laxmi Sadan", 361, V. P. Road,
Girgaum, Mumbai - 400004

Recovery Dept: Bimal Apartment, Ground Floor, H. F. Society Road, Jogeshwari(E), Mumbai – 400060, **Tel No:** (022) 2837 6816, 2834 9616
Fax: (022) 28203603; Email id - recovery@nkgsb-bank.com
Jayanagar Branch: Ground Floor, New Municipal No. 15, 4TH T-Block, 18TH Main, Jayanagar, Bengaluru, Karnataka - 560041
Tel No:(080)2653 0101/2653 0102/2653 0103; **Email id-** jayanagar96@nkgsb-bank.com

DEMAND NOTICE
[Section 13(2)]

WHEREAS,

The undersigned being the **Authorised Officer** of **NKGSB Co-operative Bank Limited** Under the **Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (Enforcement) Act, 2002** (SARFAESI ACT) and in exercise of powers conferred Under Section 13(12) read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued **Demand Notices** to various Borrowers/Guarantors; calling upon the Borrower to repay the amount mentioned in the notice **within 60 days** from the date of the receipt of same. The said notice was sent to the borrowers/guarantors through **Registered Post A. D. / Hand-Delivery**, but the same could not be served as the concerned parties have shifted/left their locations which are not known to the Bank. Hence the borrowers/guarantors as mentioned below are by this notice called upon to pay the aggregate amount mentioned herein below **within 60 days from publication** of this notice failing which, Authorised Officer shall be constraint to exercise the powers conferred upon him **Under Section 13 of the SARFAESI Act, 2002** against the secured/ hypothecated asset mentioned below:

Name of Borrower / Mortgagor / Guarantor :

1. MR. MANJAPPA S (Borrower & Mortgagor) 2. MRS. SUDHA S (Co-Borrower & Mortgagor). SN Issued Date [U/S 13(2)] : 19.04.2021,

Amount Due as mentioned in Demand Notice : **Rs. 1,62,20,170.66***

DESCRIPTION OF MORTGAGED IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES :

PROPERTY NO. 01: All that piece and parcel of **Property Bearing No. 442**, Khaneshumari No. 136, present BBMP Khatha No. 442/443/444/136, Ramagondanahalli Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, BANGALORE, measuring East to West: 10' and North to South: 28', with proportionate right in the land under the building and with right to use and avail common areas and facilities and with right of ways and easements and parking made available to the said premises along with share certificate and membership attached to the said premises; Owned by **Mr. Mr. Manjappa S & Mrs. Sudha S**. The above Scheduled Property is bounded by as follows: **East :** By House belonging to Manjula **West :** By House belonging to Narasimhappa, **North :** By House belonging to Muniswamappa, **South :** By Road

PROPERTY NO. 02: All that piece and parcel of **Property Bearing No. 443**, Khaneshumari No. 136, present BBMP Khatha No. 442/443/444/136, Ramagondanahalli Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, BANGALORE, measuring East to West: 10' and North to South: 28', with proportionate right in the land under the building and with right to use and avail common areas and facilities and with right of ways and easements and parking made available to the said premises along with share certificate and membership attached to the said premises; Owned by **Mr. Manjappa S & Mrs. Sudha S**. The above Scheduled Property is bounded by as follows: **East :** By House belonging to Seenappa **West :** By House belonging to Krishnappa, **North :** By House belonging to Muniswamappa **South :** By Road.

PROPERTY NO. 03: All that piece and parcel of **Property Bearing No. 444**, Khaneshumari No. 136, present BBMP Khatha No. 442/443/444/136, Ramagondanahalli Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, BANGALORE, measuring East to West: 25' and North to South: 28', with proportionate right in the land under the building and with right to use and avail common areas and facilities and with right of ways and easements and parking made available to the said premises along with share certificate and membership attached to the said premises; Owned by **Mr. Manjappa S & Mrs. Sudha S**. The above Scheduled Property is bounded by as follows: **East :** By House belonging to Muniyappa **West :** By House belonging to Manjula, **North :** By House belonging to Muniswamappa **South :** By Road.

PROPERTY NO. 04: All that piece and parcel of **Property Bearing No. 204/2A** (in erstwhile Khatha No. 204/2, Varthur, Varthur Hobli), present BBMP Khatha No. 1846/204/2A, Patel Layout/Venkateshappa Layout, Balagere Road, Varthur, BANGALORE, measuring East to West: 40' and North to South: 34.03', in all measuring 1361.20 Sq. Fts., with proportionate right in the land under the building and with right to use and avail common areas and facilities and with right of ways and easements and parking made available to the said premises along with share certificate and membership attached to the said premises; Owned by **Mr. Manjappa S & Mrs. Sudha S**. The above Scheduled Property is bounded by as follows: **East :** By House belonging to Harohalli Narayana Reddy, **West :** By Road, **North :** By House belonging to Valepura Narayanappa **South :** By House belonging to N. P. Muniraju

NOTE: Property No.01+Property No. 02+Property No.03 are totally measuring 1260Sq. Ft.

*** Outstanding Balance as on 31.03.2021 & 18.04.2021 respectively; with further interest & charges appl

Bengaluru Police Commissioner Kamal Pant on Thursday paid a surprise visit to the Jnana Bharathi police station and recieved information regarding rowdy activities and drug peddling in the area. He ordered senior officers to open a temporary police outpost at Ullal

INHUMAN ACT

Monkey deaths: Probe points to poisoning

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"PRELIMINARY investigation has revealed that some have been poisoned and some others have been brutally beaten. The samples have been sent for detailed analysis," Hassan Deputy Conservator of Forests Dr K N Basavaraja said.

He added that this is the first time such an incident has been reported in this region even though there are many monkeys in Belur and Sakleshpur area, but there are no cases of conflicts. Also, it seems that the animals are not from the Western Ghats region as their fur and skin is thinner compared to the local inhabitants. Perhaps the animals were ill treated in some other place like Chikkamagalur, Kodagu or other surrounding areas and dumped here. Details are also being shared with other forest divisions, he added.

On Thursday afternoon, after the autopsy was completed by veterinarians, locals joined the officials in cremating the dead monkeys and some even offered prayers. Officials of the Animal Husbandry Department have also taken note of the incident and are helping in the investigation.

An investigating officer said that the sacks could have been brought in a mini truck or tempo and dumped here. It is unlikely that a car or a two-wheeler was used considering that there were many sacks. There are no track marks because of the heavy movement of vehicles on the stretch. However, information is being collected, the officer added.

EXPRESS READ

Cop's sexual harassment: CB-CID files chargesheet

Villupuram: The Crime Branch CID on Thursday filed a chargesheet, that runs to over 400 pages, in the alleged sexual harassment case filed against a former special DGP. Additional Superintendent of Police Gomathy submitted the chargesheet to Villupuram District Chief Judicial Magistrate S Gopinathan. Sources say, the CB-CID is planning to submit a report regarding the inquiry at the Madras HC on Friday. **ENS**

TTD sanctions ₹25 cr for Garuda Varadhi

Tirupati: Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams (TTD) Executive Officer KS Jawahar Reddy has sanctioned `25 crore as the second installment for Garuda Varadhi project. The TTD has made a total contribution of `50 crore for the prestigious project. **ENS**

CBI suspects ISI role in espionage case

Informs Kerala High Court that it strongly believes Pakistan is involved in ISRO conspiracy

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Kochi

THE Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) probing the conspiracy behind the ISRO espionage case on Thursday informed the Kerala High Court that it suspects that a false case was foisted against eminent scientists of the space research agency at the behest of ISI. The probe agency strongly believes the involvement of Pakistan in the matter.

Appearing for CBI, Additional Solicitor General S V Raju submitted that this is a serious matter involving national security and the Indian space agency's cryogenic engine technology was derailed with the registration of espionage case against former scientist Nambi Narayanan and others.

"This was done at the behest of foreign powers and we suspect that a false case was foisted against two leading scientists of ISRO at the behest of ISI. The agency also strongly believes that Pakistan is involved in the matter," Raju submitted.

"The officers involved in foisting the case have succeeded in derailing the project. Otherwise, India would have developed the cryogenic engine 20 years ago. These scientists were arrested, humiliated, tortured and then they were not allowed to carry out their sensitive work of developing the cryogenic engine. This was how the case was registered against two former scientists." Later, the CBI probed the case and an in-depth investigation was carried out. Finally, the CBI concluded that no offence was found against the persons arraigned in the case and the Supreme Court also upheld the CBI's report.

Now, the investigation is going on based on the Justice Jain committee report to conduct a probe against 17 former Kerala police officers.

A probe is being conducted into the conspiracy that framed ex-ISRO scientist Nambi Narayanan in the espionage case

Protesters demand the resignation of Education Minister V Sivankutty in the Assembly scuffle case, in Kochi on Thursday | A SANESH

Edu minister won't resign, says Pinarayi

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @T'Puram

CHIEF Minister Pinarayi Vijayan on Thursday defended the state government's plea in the Supreme Court to withdraw prosecution proceedings against Minister V Sivankutty and five others who are accused of vandalism and destruction of public property on the assembly floor during a Budget speech in 2015.

Rejecting the Opposition's demand for Sivankutty's resignation, Pinarayi said the court had not held anyone guilty or taken anyone's name in its verdict. The government's attempt was to protect the privilege of legislators for their action inside the assembly, he said.

Citing past incidents of violence in various state legislatures across the country, Pinarayi said the UDF had set a wrong precedent by registering a criminal case against six MLAs when it was in power. The Speaker had already taken action against the MLAs by suspending them, he reminded. Pinarayi said withdrawal of cases in similar incidents have happened during the UDF tenure as well. "Those who have withdrawn even corruption cases are now clamouring for the minister's resignation. This can be seen only as a politically driven antics of the opposition," he said.

Meanwhile, the Opposition UDF boycotted Assembly proceedings during zero hour after its demand for resignation of minister V Sivankutty and its notice for an adjournment motion to discuss the developments after the SC verdict was turned down.

STRENGTHENING OPPOSTION? MAMATA MEETS KANIMOZHI

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>
> Kanimozhi, DMK MP

S KUMARESAN @Chennai

A day after West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee held talks with AICC president Sonia Gandhi, the TMC chief met with DMK MP Kanimozhi on Thursday. Speaking to *TNIE*, Kanimozhi said, "It was purely a courtesy call. But we also discussed current issues in the country and the stance of Opposition on those. Besides, she also commended Chief Minister MK Stalin's performance on people's welfare."

However, political observers and second-rung leaders of the DMK deemed it to be more than that. Sources privy to the meeting said that the meeting was to further strengthen the Opposition and bring them all under a single umbrella to fight the ruling BJP in the Parliament and in the upcoming elections in several states.

It seems the Opposition parties are going all guns blazing to corner the BJP-led Union government over various issues plaguing the country. The unity that the parties have shown inside the House is likely to be extended outside as well with TMC chief and West Bengal Chief Minister Mamta Banerjee meeting various Opposition leaders during her five-day visit to the national capital. She met with DMK MP Kanimozhi on Thursday.

The second rung leaders of the DMK seem to be echoing the same views. They said that it was their leader MK Stalin who first proposed Rahul Gandhi as the prime ministerial candidate of the Congress-led alliance during the 2019 Lok Sabha polls.

Health experts divided over reimposing curbs in K'taka

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WHILE the TAC is meeting to decide on restrictions, experts seem to have mixed opinions on reimposing curbs. While some insist that there should be some kind of restrictions brought back, others prefer to wait and watch.

Dr Giridhara Babu R, renowned epidemiologist and member of the TAC, explained that the situation in Kerala is a mixed scenario. The reasons, according to Dr Babu are that due to lower seroprevalence, more susceptible people were at the risk of infection. As a result, more people got infected. Second, this was picked up well due to better detection, especially because of widespread testing and awareness in the community. Third, the advantage of better detection is matched by higher vaccination coverage and better hospital distribution, resulting in relatively lower mortality. Finally, all this good work has been diluted by allowing super spreader events in the recent past, poor contact tracing and failure to interrupt the transmission, he said.

"Higher transmission in any region always runs the risk of giving rise to newer variants of concern. There are lessons for every state to learn from each other. Karnataka should match the strengths of Kerala's performance, but here is an opportunity to not to make the same mistake that Kerala is doing," Dr Babu said.

Dr Nagaraj C, Director, Rajiv Gandhi Institute of Chest Diseases, and also a member of the TAC said, "We have to remember our lessons learnt from the second wave. Covid-appropriate behaviour is more important than any kind of restrictions."

Clarifying that so far, the dominating virus strain in the state has been the Delta variant, and that no new variant has been found here, Dr V Ravi, virologist and former head of Neurovirology Department, NIMHANS, said, "Considering that neighbouring states are seeing a rise in cases, there has to be some restrictions. Kerala has imposed a lockdown, so there is no entry or exit from that state. We have also recommended that a RT-PCR-negative report is a must for those coming from Kerala, irrespective of whether they are vaccinated or not. However, Covid-appropriate behaviour has to be strictly followed."

Centre sends team to help Kerala handle Covid crisis

SUMI SUKANYA DUTTA @New Delhi

EVEN as the rapidly deteriorating Covid situation in Kerala has prompted the Centre to depute a six-member team to assist the state, it has also led to a flurry of theories on why the southern state seems to be in a mess of this scale, at a time when the rest of the country looks far better.

Kerala, over the past two days, reported more than 50% of the country's total Covid tally. On Thursday, 22,064 contracted the virus, taking the total active cases in the state to 1,54,820. The test positivity rate rose to 13.53%.

Over the past two days, Kerala has reported more than 50% of the country's total Covid tally | EXPRESS

Considering the scenario, the Union health ministry on Thursday announced that a six-member central team, led by National Centre for Disease Control (NCDC) director S K Singh, is being rushed to the state. The team, said the ministry, will work closely with the state government, visit a few districts, take stock of the on-ground situation, and recommend necessary public health interventions to contain the virus.

As per the data shared, Kerala's active caseload (1.55 lakh) constitutes 37.1% of the total active cases in the country. The fourth round of national serosurvey by ICMR, designed to capture the extent of Covid spread by testing samples for antibodies against the virus, has shown that only about 44.4% of the people in Kerala had seropositivity as of the first week of July.

Wild elephant electrocuted in Kodagu

ENS @Madikeri

A male elephant, aged around 38 years, was electrocuted at a village farmland in Kodagu. Illegal electricity lines across the farmland are said to have killed the elephant that is suspected to have migrated from Atturu Reserve Forest area in Kushalnagar. This is the fourth unnatural elephant death reported from the district this month.

Chandru, a resident of Hosakadu, is said to have installed an electric fence across his ginger and arecanut farm to protect the crops from wild animals. However, the electric fence was installed using an illegal connection from a private house nearby. Such an installation is against the state Electricity Act.

On Wednesday midnight, the lone tusker, strayed into Hosakadu-Basavanahalli village limits. The investigation is ongoing by Kushalnagar Rural Police.

Youth who attempted suicide goes missing again

ENS @Mangaluru

A 29-year-old youth hailing from Bengaluru has gone missing from a bridge at Panemangaluru in Bantwal taluk. His bike was recovered by the police from the bridge.

Satyavelu, a resident of Dasarahalli, was working at a private company in Bengaluru as per information from the local police. The police said that the youth had attempted to jump off the bridge 15 days ago. However, he was rescued by some locals.

On Wednesday, at around 4.30 am, his bike was found near the bridge and locals alerted the police. ASI Devappa and head constable Suresh Padar took the bike to the station. Meanwhile, a missing complaint has been registered in Bengaluru.

Satyavelu had left his bike near Panemangalur bridge in Bantwal taluk

MAKING IMPACT

Many cities plan to replicate Tumakuru digi library model

DEVARAJ B HIREHALLI @Tumakuru

WITH the Tumakuru Digital Library project making a huge social impact by catering to the needs of the people belonging to marginalised sections, several other cities are also reportedly eyeing to replicate the model.

The project was implemented by the Tumakuru Smart City Limited (TSCL) on the district central library premises at the cost of ₹1.45 crore.

People at the digital library set up by the Tumakuru Smart City Limited | EXPRESS

Over one million people have already accessed the library online besides over 11,000 personally visiting the premises to access the information since its inception in 2019. Many are using it to crack competitive examinations. "Since my friend Sudha cracked an examination and landed a job as government hostel warden by using this facility, I too followed her. I also have a dream of cracking the railways examinations," informed Nanlinakshi H, an MA B.Ed.

Teenager Hayagreeva although started visiting the library to prepare for NEET, and is now inspired to study for UPSC as well. "I do not have a personal computer at home and hence the digital library is of great help," he said.

There are instances of students from remote places renting rooms to help themselves out with an access to the library. Naveen, a post graduate, from Hosahalli Tanda hamlet in Pavagada taluk who is preparing for the KAS examination is one among them.

LOSS OF SALE DEED DOCUMENT

Document No. 1607/2016 Pages 12 Pg No. 02 Plot No. 123 Survey No. 473, 557/1A Survey No. 557/1B2, 557/1C1 Owner Name: **Parveez Pasha,** Father Name: **Aasar Pasha** Address: No. 21/2, Vidya Sagar Opp. HP School Sarayipalya, Bangalore-560077, Mob No: 9035434644. If anyone gets this document please inform to this number the document contains 12 Pages, an Original Document.

SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY

EOI Notice No.B/C.14/PA EOI/BOC @SMVB/2021 dated 27.07.2021.

The undersigned, on behalf of the President of India, invites Expression of Interest notice for the following work:

Description of the Work	EMD
Expression of Interest for providing, operating and maintaining Battery Operated Cars (BOC) at Sir M Visvesvaraya Terminal, Bengaluru Railway station on collection of notified charges (inclusive of 18% GST) from passengers for a period of five years.	Rs. 27,000/-

Last date for submission of application: **Upto 15:00 Hrs. of 31.08.2021**

For details log on: www.swr.indianrailways.gov.in

Senior Divisional Commercial Manager Bengaluru

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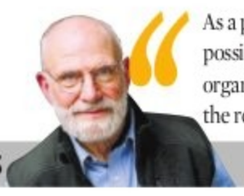

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SIVANKUTTY PUZZLE FOR KERALA GOVT AFTER SC SETBACK

The image of an unruly V Sivankutty, then an MLA and now a minister in Kerala's government, climbing over chairs and tables in the hallowed state Assembly hall on 13 March 2015 is still etched in public memory. He and his colleagues in the opposition were attempting to prevent the presentation of the Budget by then finance minister K M Mani. In the process, they fought Assembly staff and damaged property, including the Speaker's chair and electronic equipment, worth ₹2.2 lakh. The unprecedented episode of vandalism involving MLAs was telecast live and no amount of justification can erase that ugly chapter from Kerala's political history. So it wasn't a surprise when the Supreme Court rejected, with strong observations, the Kerala government's petition to withdraw the case registered against Sivankutty and five others for the damage they caused to public property. Drawing the line between privileges of elected representatives and acts of violence committed inside the House, the court appropriately held that privileges and immunities "are not gateways to claim exemptions" from the general law of the land.

Sivankutty and others, including former ministers E P Jayarajan and K T Jaleel, now have no choice but to face prosecution proceedings and, more importantly, the SC's observations in the case could prove decisive in its outcome. What this means is that the LDF's desperate and all-out efforts to protect its leaders from prosecution may have actually backfired. With the court removing the veil of immunity for their actions and the evidence of what they did being undeniable, these six stand, in the eyes of the law, not only accused of but practically guilty of destroying public property under the cover of right to protest and freedom of speech. Then there's the question of Sivankutty's continuation in the ministry despite adverse judicial observations. While the opposition has raised the chorus for his resignation, the government has stubbornly decided to retain him, disregarding the fact that his continuation will be a constant source of embarrassment for the LDF as the trial progresses. The government has already burnt its fingers by approaching the top court in the case. What it doesn't need is more humiliation, and it must act wisely.

TEACHING ENGG IN LOCAL LANGUAGES

The admission season for higher education has just begun and the basket of undergraduate engineering courses on offer is bigger this time. Aspirants can now opt to take them in at least five regional languages as well: Hindi, Tamil, Telugu, Marathi and Bangla. That bright students from rural India who do their schooling in their mother tongue struggle upon taking professional courses where English is the medium of instruction is well-known. The apex technical education body has now sought to end the language tyranny and level the playing field. English, however, will be taught as a separate compulsory subject.

The idea is interesting but not new. Tamil Nadu has been experimenting with UG civil and mechanical engineering courses in the mother tongue since 2010. But going by the enrolment rate for Tamil medium engineering courses in most constituent government colleges of Anna University—1.66% in 2019—the response is dismal. It's only the College of Engineering at Guindy, Chennai, that gets its full intake of Tamil medium students, but those seats are the last to be filled. While there is a general drop in engineering admissions across the country, the hesitancy in studying it in Tamil is because of the job market that prefers candidates who can converse in English. Also, as the GATE exam is in English, Tamil medium students struggle to get enrolled in PG courses. That the faculty in most engineering colleges themselves have poor language skills and teach in Tamil in the classroom even if the courses are in English medium is no secret. According to a national estimate, about three-quarters of the engineering faculty in India communicate in regional languages while teaching.

For the new scheme to have any chance of success, apart from developing good course materials, the graduates need to be made employable. The industry ought to be sensitised and incentivised to give them jobs with more focus on their subject matter skills. A proper ecosystem has to be evolved to give employers the confidence of hiring them. Unless the entire value chain is synchronised, the initiative could end up as another exercise in rural skilling that failed to live up to its promise.

The failure to make common cause could lead to a cumulative $4.5 trillion of global GDP being wiped out by 2025

VAX NATIONALISM AND GLOBAL ECONOMIC RECOVERY

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Vaccine nationalism and a lack of multilateral coordination is slowing down global economic recovery and prolonging the pandemic. This has become increasingly clear over the past months as nations squabble over vaccine passports and certificates, refuse to endorse common standards for vaccines and therapeutic protocols or avoid sharing data. Some rich countries have dilly-dallied over the IP waiver for Covid vaccines while others have let their excess stockpile go to waste.

Developed nations are now realising that much of their population being vaccinated alone will not protect them. New virus mutations could crop up because of slow vaccination in other nations, and lead to a jump in new cases even in highly vaccinated countries. The virus variant called Delta has resulted in a surge in new cases in the UK, US and Australia, apart from Asia. Now four new variants—Lamda, Eta, Kappa and Iota—have been designated variants of interest.

The IMF fears that there is a real possibility of new variants derailing global economic recovery and wiping out as much as a cumulative $4.5 trillion from the global GDP by 2025 while further widening the gap between rich economies and emerging and underdeveloped countries.

The problem is that despite all world leaders recognising that only a concerted multinational action can speed up the vaccination process, there has been little real cooperation.

By mid-2020, when most countries realised the danger the virus posed, the search for an effective vaccine took off across the world. Government laboratories, pharmaceutical companies and biotechnology start-ups joined the race. There was unprecedented cooperation and data sharing initially.

Alas, it was too good to last. As a number of vaccine candidates came closer to the finishing line of Phase 3 clinical trials and regulatory clearances, the differences had started showing. Each country preferred to back vaccine candidates that were being developed by home-grown companies or research laboratories. Rich countries with enough resources started locking up vaccine doses far in excess of their requirements leaving emerging and underdeveloped economies scrambling to find their own solutions.

While the US showed a preference for Pfizer and Moderna vaccines, both produced by American companies (though the country had also ordered the AstraZeneca and Johnson & Johnson vaccines), the EU and the UK initially threw their weight behind the Oxford/AstraZeneca vaccine (AstraZeneca was formed by the merger of Astra of Sweden and Zeneca of the UK). China had four home-grown vaccines, while Russia came up with Sputnik V. India had a number of home-grown candidates as well, of which Covaxin (Bharat Biotech and ICMR) was ahead in the race. (Meanwhile, Serum Institute of India also got licenses to produce the AstraZeneca vaccine, called Covishield here, and other vaccines such as Johnson & Johnson). There were other countries developing their own vaccines as well.

While the WHO was supposed to play a coordinating role, it was not mandatory to show it full data or get any regulatory approval from it as long as a vaccine was approved by the domestic regulator. Each nation's regulator also approved vaccines using their own standards. There were no common set of vaccines approved by the majority of the nations.

> The IMF, WHO, etc., would like trade hurdles to vaccine inputs removed and nations with excess doses to share at least 1 billion doses with those that need them. That seems a tall task because of mutual suspicion, domestic compulsions and pressure from pharma lobby groups

Thus, while Covaxin was approved and administered in India, Sinovac in China and Sputnik V in Russia, Pfizer, Moderna and AstraZeneca in many Western nations, they were not approved in many other countries. India took its time to approve vaccines other than Covaxin and Covishield. Regulators in most countries have approved one or two vaccines but not all that were available.

Similarly, there has been no consensus on the gap between the first and second doses, vaccines for children, booster shots or even therapeutic protocols that were approved across the world. This is perfectly acceptable practice in normal times and in fact helps prevent regulatory capture by multinational drug firms, but in a pandemic, a more coordinated effort could have speeded up things.

Equally, there have been vaccine production hiccups because rich countries often did not have enough manufacturing capacities while many drug companies were reluctant to give up their intellectual properties to countries that had contract manufacturing facilities and could have boosted production.

Vaccine passports/certificates have been another issue. Vaccination in one country does not guarantee unfettered travel to another that has not approved that particular vaccine.

Companies need to share some of the blame. Many have simply delayed giving data to the WHO or share it with regulators in other countries. Meanwhile rich nations have sometimes been slow to send vaccines they don't need before expiry dates, resulting in millions of doses being wasted.

The IMF, World Bank, WTO and WHO would like 40% of the population of all countries to be vaccinated by the end of 2021. They would like trade hurdles to vaccine inputs removed and countries with excess doses to share at least 1 billion doses with countries that need them.

That seems a tall task because of mutual suspicion, domestic compulsions and pressure from pharmaceutical lobby groups. And that does not portend well for the future.

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PRIVATE EQUITY IN HEALTHCARE A BLESSING OR BANE?

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Healthcare is one of the largest sectors in India, with a market size of $194 billion in 2020 and is projected to reach $372 billion by 2022 (India Brand Equity Foundation Report, 2020). The Indian healthcare sector is growing rapidly due to increasing coverage, breadth of services, expenditure by public and private players, and the growing demand for good quality healthcare. The industry primarily comprises hospitals, health insurance, pharmaceuticals, medical devices, and diagnostics, of which the hospital sector accounts for about 70% of the total market. Top-of-the-line offerings in Indian healthcare are cost-competitive vis-a-vis its peers in developed countries and the quality of diagnosis and treatment are at par with those hospitals.

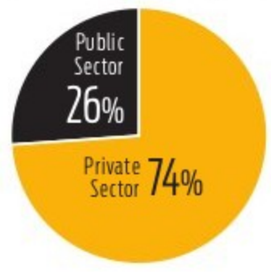
Public vs private healthcare: The public healthcare system largely comprises primary and secondary centres, with predominantly private high-quality tertiary care institutions in metros and big cities. India's private healthcare sector is experiencing rapid growth due to the perception of relatively good quality treatment vis-a-vis largely poor public healthcare services, due to the government's health expenditure being staggeringly low at 1.29% of its GDP. The Indian population has grown by approximately 13.25% from 2011 to 2020 while the total public health expenditure of the Central and state governments combined increased by only 0.39% during the same decade.

According to the National Health Profile 2019, while the per capita public expenditure on health in nominal terms has gone up from ₹621 in 2010-11 to the current figure of ₹1,657, it is still abysmally low, even when compared with that of many Asian countries. The low spending in public healthcare has effectively made the private sector fill the resulting void. According to Industry and Talent Insights Report, 2019, India's domestic private health expenditure per capita in Purchasing Price Parity (PPP) terms is approximately three times that of public health expenditure.

Private Equity (PE) in Indian hospitals: India has less than one hospital bed for every thousand people. Its elderly population, spanning both urban and rural areas, is expected to increase from the current 96 million to around 168 million by 2026, representing a significant growth in patient base, contributing to the burgeoning demand for healthcare services (UNFPA). The current situation, coupled with huge potential demand for good quality healthcare services on a massive scale, needs significant investments. The government, sensing the need for substantial investment in healthcare, laid down policies to facilitate foreign private equity (PE) investments.

The explosive growth in demand for healthcare and lack of funds to match it by expanding facilities, buying equipment, etc., necessitates sourcing the funds through PE investments. PE investors, most of them based overseas, are attracted to invest in Indian hospitals. A few years after such an investment, the PE firm typically seeks to exit by finding a suitable buyer to sell its investment at attractive valuations. Factors such as the opportunity to generate higher returns while improving portfolio diversification, having a significant controlling stake, high patient footfalls in the target hospitals, potential to expand hospital networks into smaller cities, etc., contribute to PE investment interest in Indian healthcare.

% Share of Healthcare Expenditure



Notable PE investments in Indian healthcare: The first PE investment in Indian healthcare was in 1999 by UK-based global asset management company Schroder Ventures, which invested in Indraprastha Medical Corporation Ltd. This was followed by several foreign-based PE investors queuing up to pick up equity stakes in large Indian healthcare providers. Some significant investors include IHH Berhad, Malaysia; TPG Group, US; Carlyle Group, US; Advent International, US; and Government of Singapore Investment Corporation, Singapore, to name a few.

Value proposition for Indian healthcare providers and the country through foreign PE investments: PE investments in hospitals and other healthcare services, especially medical device manufacturers, medical diagnostics companies and e-Health set-ups, result in significant value proposition for the investee organisations. One substantial positive impact of these investments is the creation of the necessary infrastructure. Investments are also needed beyond the metropolitan areas, to expand access to healthcare. In addition to helping increase physical capacity in the healthcare sector, PE investment can also help raise the standards and quality of healthcare, upgrade technology and create employment opportunities, with potential benefits to the healthcare sector and the economy.

In summary, PE investments are a significant boost to the healthcare sector. It is transforming the industry in addition to providing efficiency, cost-effectiveness and well-grounded patient services. However, there are concerns that PE investors may gain at the expense of patients, doctors and other hospital staff.

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Centre should mediate

This is with reference to *Centre cannot be a spectator in inter-state dispute* (July 29). As pointed out, the Centre should act as a mediator. It should be a strict guardian till the states bury their hatchet. The BJP government has an additional advantage because it is the ruling party in Assam and in Mizoram, it is a coalition partner.

Haribandhu Panigrahi, Tarbha

Minister should step down

This is with reference to *SC deals state govt a blow in ruckus case; Sivankutty, Jaleel & four others to face trial* (July 29). The Supreme Court came up with a strong order against vandalism in the Assembly, dismissed the Kerala government's appeal and allowed the case against the six accused including Minister V Sivankutty to go ahead. The minister has no right to cling on to power for a minute. If he doesn't step down on his own, the LDF government has a duty to sack him at least as a damage-control measure.

P Mangalachandran, Kannur

Wasting govt money

The minister's claim that he will prove his innocence in the court is the biggest joke of the year considering the visuals available. The government is brazenly defending the legislators with utter disregard to the wasteful expenditure of public money in legal wrangles. After the strong ruling from the top court, the only recourse left to the accused persons is to pay for the damages they have caused, apologise to the voters and avoid further explanations. We have had enough of this.

Krishnakumar G, Ernakulam

Bommai needs good team

New Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai needs a good council of ministers with a *seva manodharma*. Without a good team, the proposed programmes of the Central and state government will not get implemented.

S N Amrith, Puttur

Blinken remark welcome

This is with reference to *US state secy says democracy work in progress* (July 29). All democracies have their merits and shortcomings. The statement of the US Secretary of State Antony Blinken that our democracies are a work in progress is a very objective assessment of the two largest democracies of the world, particularly when there is a tendency by vested interests to disparage India.

Dharmarajan A K, Thalassery

Oppn unity gives hope

The joining together of major opposition parties against the government on the Pegasus issue is good for strengthening democratic values and is thanks to the efforts taken by TMC supremo Mamata Banerjee (July 29). Comments from Congress leader Rahul Gandhi praising the unity along with solid support from the AAP and Left parties give hope that there will be a united opposition to confront the BJP in the 2024 elections.

N A Joseph, Ettumanoor

Getting MPs to work

Why can't we have a law to ensure both the Houses of Parliament have to do business for a minimum number of days? Only then will our MPs understand that they cannot get away without doing any work.

P Venkatesh, Hyderabad

Spice trade to other firsts

This is with reference to *A country Of many Gods: Visitor's book* (July 27). Kerala's history dates back to the ancient past. The names of places such as Seethathode and Pandavan para allude to the *Ramayana*. Though the spice trade with Kerala is legendary and goes back millennia, the production of pepper and other spices now leaves much to be desired. But Kerala has come a long way and can boast of other firsts to its credit.

Elizabeth Koshy, Pathanamthitta

Help Gulf workers

When will flights to Saudi Arabia from India restart? Lakhs of workers are unable to return due to restrictions in Saudi Arabia as well as in India and are suffering financially. The Indian government is silent on this issue.

K J Haroon Basha, Vaniyambadi

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Two more bills in Lok Sabha and one in Rajya Sabha passed without discussion on day of adjournments ■ Union ministers say Centre ready for debate on any matter, rival MPs demand discussion on Pegasus

Govt tries to reach out, Oppn sticks to stand

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WITH barely a week left in the monsoon session of Parliament, there was no respite from the ruckus in both Houses. Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla threatened action against members who had thrown torn placards at the Chair and the treasury benche. Rajya Sabha saw repeated adjournments, with Opposition MPs demanding discussion on the Pegasus controversy.

There was no breakthrough in the stand-off between the government and the Opposition, even though Union Minister for Parliamentary Affairs Pralhad Joshi and Leader of the Rajya Sabha Piyush Goyal tried to talk to the Opposition.

The Lok Sabha continued to take up the Question Hour and legislative business amid a constant din in the House. Opposition MPs held out placards in the well of the House and raised slogans. The House still passed the Airports Economic Regulatory Authority of India (Amendment) Bill, 2021 and the Inland Vessels Bill, 2021 amid the ruckus in the House.

₹1,289 cr on new Parl and Vista this fiscal

The government has so far spent `238 crore for new Parliament building and `63 crore for redevelopment of Central Vista Avenue. Estimated cost for these two projects for 2021-22 is `1,289 crore. "New Parliament Building at an estimated cost of `971 crore is targeted to be completed by October, 2022," ministry of urban affairs said in Parliament.

Lok Sabha Speaker Birla, in reference to the incident on Wednesday when nine Congress MPs hurled torn placards at the Chair, said he was pained by the behaviour of these MPs and described this as against Constitutional norms and conventions. He called upon the MPs to offer suggestions to enhance the prestige of the Chair, while reminding them that they aren't individuals but institutions. The treasury benches demanded apology from the Opposition, with minister Joshi saying that "this isn't the way they can behave".

Leader of Congress in the House, Adhir Ranjan Choudhary countered by saying that the Opposition parties weren't able to raise issues in the House. Joshi said the government is ready for debate on any matter. Despite that, there were many adjournments.

In Rajya Sabha, the Chair pushed through the Question Hour, as Opposition MPs kept demanding discussion on Pegasus and shouting 'khela hobe' (game on). Goyal and Joshi met these leaders, who reiterated their demand for discussion on Pegasus. The government pushed through the Factoring Regulation Amendment Bill without any discussion. The bill was introduced by Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman amidst the din and it was passed before the House was adjourned.

Congress MP Adhir Ranjan Chowdhury (top) speaks in Parliament on Thursday; Parliamentary Affairs Minister Pralhad Joshi (bottom) during his turn | PTI

1,000 SEATS IN LS? CONG SPECULATES, BJP SAYS NO WAY

RICHA SHARMA & MANISH ANAND @ New Delhi

IS the Centre planning to increase Lok Sabha seats to over 1,000 before 2024? A tweet by Congress MP Manish Tewari citing 'credible inputs' from BJP MPs caught a lot of eyeballs.

While some BJP MPs denied having knowledge of this, leaders of other political parties said this has been doing the rounds for a while. They felt such a step should not be taken without wider public consultation.

"I am reliably informed by Parliamentary colleagues in BJP that there is a proposal to increase the strength of Lok Sabha to 1,000 or more before 2024. New Parliament Chamber being constructed as a 1000 seater. Before this is done there should be a serious public consultation," tweeted Tewari, a former Union Cabinet minister, early this week.

Following this, party colleague and Congress MP from Tamil Nadu's Sivaganga, Karti Chidambaram called for a public debate. "A large country like ours needs more directly elected representatives. But if the increase is based on population, it will further diminish the representation of southern states, that will not be acceptable," he tweeted.

The Congress Data Analytics Department under Praveen Chakravarty has done some modelling based on how dynamics will change if seats are increased based on population. The modelling with projected increase in Lok Sabha seats to 1,200 from 543 shows southern states losing out, while higher population density states like Bihar, Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan, Delhi, Haryana and Madhya Pradesh would register gains. Maharashtra and Gujarat also gain in numbers. Karnataka is the only southern state that will see an increase. The modelling shows that the share of total seats will go down in Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Kerala and Odisha.

D Raja, CPI general secretary, said this buzz about the Modi government increasing the number of Lok Sabha seats has been doing the rounds for some time, but questioned the criteria for such changes. "If it is planned to be done on the basis of population, southern states would suffer and this has happened in the past also," said Raja.

However, a Union minister dismissed Tewari's claim and said he is indulging in speculation. "He may have been speculating in the context of the women's reservation bill which is still pending. There is no proposal before the government as of now to increase the capacity of the Lok Sabha," the minister said, requesting anonymity. Election Commission officials said they are not aware of this.

Monsoon session in progress in the Lok Sabha on Thursday | PTI

No community-wise data on employment: Minister

SANA SHAKIL @ New Delhi

THERE is no centralised data on the 'limited' participation of minority communities, particularly Muslims, in government jobs, the government said in Parliament on Thursday. The Ministry of Minority Affairs informed Lok Sabha that the government is treating all sections of society, including Muslims, as equal partners in the development process.

Minorities in India are "flourishing equally with all the other sections of the society with a sense of equality, security and prosperity", Union Minority Affairs Minister Mukhtar Abbas Naqvi said. He was responding to questions from Viduthalai Chiruthaigal Katchi MP Ravikumar, who also asked whether the government was planning to set up an Equal Opportunity Commission to look into the grievances of the deprived groups.

The Race Relations Act makes it unlawful to discriminate on grounds of race, colour, nationality and national or ethnic origin. The law covers employment, education, training, housing and the provision of goods, facilities and services.

Naqvi did not give a direct reply but said the government has made every section an equal partner in 'Development with Dignity' and 'Sabka Sath, Sabka Vikas, Sabka Vishwas".

Ravikumar also asked whether Muslim participation in government employment has been limited. Saying that there is no community-wise data on recruitment, the minister said there are schemes to increase the participation of minority communities to improve their education, skill and entrepreneurship development levels.

Tharoor, BJP MP spar over deferral of Parl IT panel meeting on snooping row

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

CONGRESS MP Shashi Tharoor, who heads the Parliamentary panel on IT, took a dig at BJP members opposing his decision to question government officials on the Pegasus row.

He said "some elements" have chosen to reduce it to a "ping pong match" that goes against the spirit of Parliament. Asked about reports of BJP MP Nishikant Dubey moving a privilege motion against him, Tharoor said it has no validity. "No constituted procedure was followed in introducing the motion that requires the Speaker to get the leave of the House before it can be introduced," said Tharoor.

Dubey hit back, saying Tharoor was unaware of the rules. He said the Congress MP was 'frustrated' for not being appointed the party's leader in Lok Sabha in place of Adhir Ranjan Chowdhury.

Dubey is learned to have moved a 'privilege notice' against Tharoor for allegedly misusing his powers as the head of the IT panel. The fate of the notice will be decided by Speaker Om Birla.

The panel was scheduled to question government officials on Wednesday on the Pegasus spyware issue. The meeting did not take place due to the lack of members required to form the quorum. BJP members of the panel did not sign the attendance register.

Tharoor expressed disappointment at the development. "Some elements on some issues have chosen to reduce this committee to some sort of a ping pong match which I don't believe is in the spirit of Parliament or a Parliamentary committee," he said.

Asked about differences among the panel members along political lines, he said that when he was the chairperson of the Parliamentary Committee on External Affairs for five years, members worked in an amicable manner and cooperated. This, despite the committee having a strong BJP majority, Tharoor added.

Arrest of tribals under UAPA on the rise, reveals reply of ministry

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

THE number of tribal persons put under trial under the stringent Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act (UAPA) has increased between 2017 and 2019, according to a resposnse by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs in Parliament on Thursday.

While the National Crime Records Bureau does not maintain such data, additional information was obtained from the agency, the ministry said in response to a question on the number of tribal undertrials. It did not respond to a query on what was being done to ensure speedy trial of suh prisoners.

The number of such prisoners in 2017 was 4,098. It increased to 4,862 in 2018. Next year, this number was 5,645, according to data shared by the Centre. Such prisoners were the highest in UP in 2019 at 1,519, almost doubling from 784 in 2017. The number of undertrial tribal prisoners in Assam remained consistently high — 1,337 in 2017, 1,397 in 2018 and 1,374 in 2019. The other state recording a significant rise tribal undertrial prisoners is Tamil Nadu — 8 in 2017 to 141 in 2019.

The overall number of cases also saw a rise with 901 reported in 2017, 1,182 in 2018, and 1,226 in 2019. Number of persons arrested saw a marginal dip. While 1,554 persons were arrested in 2017, the subsequent year saw 1,182 arrests. In 2019, 1,226 persons are arrested.

Mamata Banerjee with Javed Akhtar & Shabana Azmi in Delhi on Thursday | PTI

Mamata meets minister, amidst talks of uniting Opposition against BJP

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

WEST Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee met Union Transport Minister Nitin Gadkari in on Thursday and discussed several infrastructure projects in a bid to invite global investors to the state.

Mamata came to New Delhi on Monday and has been on a spree to meet political leaders and activists, who share anti-saffron sentiments.

Following her meeting with senior minister Gadkari, the TMC chief said: "I requested that it will be good if we have a manufacturing industry in our state that will manufacture electric buses, electric autos, electric scooters. Our state shares borders with Bangladesh, Nepal, Bhutan and northeastern states. We need proper roads," she said.

"Chief Minister of West Bengal @MamataOfficial called on Union Minister @nitin_gadkari Ji today. In the presence of officials they reviewed various road projects being undertaken in the state," read a tweet from Gadkari's officed.

Sources said that Mamata is likely to meet ministers of key departments such as petroleum, aviation and railways, to discuss various development projects in the state over the next few days.

Mamata also met poet and lyricist Javed Akhtar, who is believed to have Leftist leanings. "The national mood is for a change. The country needs a change. There have been riots in Delhi. It's unfortunate. There is an atmosphere of fear in the country. That should go," said Akhtar.

However, he ducked questions on who should lead the Opposition front, if there is one before the 2024 General Elections. "The Bengal model is an example. There is no doubt there will be 'khela hobe' in the nation," the veteran poet said. Mamata in the last two days has met many Opposition leaders, speaking constantly about unity of the Opposition to take on BJP.

US scaledown on human rights in India strategic decision, feel experts

PUSHKAR BANAKAR @ New Delhi

THE anticipation built around the US Secretary of State taking up issues related to human rights during his meeting with External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar fizzled out, as Antony Blinken said after the interaction that all democracies are works in progress.

This is contrary to expectations when Joe Biden became US President earlier this year. It was expected that Biden would not hold back to call out New Delhi for issues related to human rights. Why this?

Experts believe that US-India ties are no longer based on a narrow interpretation of issues and has transformed into a mature relationship. "The US will side step being too harsh or critical against India as it does not want to disturb many aspects of the growing bilateral relationship. When compared to 1990s and early 2000s, there is a lot more at stake for the US, as is for India, to be vocally against New Delhi," a research scholar at a leading think-tank said.

However, some think Blinken's humility may have stemmed from the recent experience of the US interventions in Afghanistan and Iraq. "In 1980s, US worked with Mujahideens in Afghanistan to defeat Soviet Union. After the collapse of Soviet Union, the US dropped the ball in Afghanistan and returned only after the 9/11 terror attacks. After almost two decades of having boots on the ground, the US has withdrawn from Afghanistan, leaving space open for the Taliban. Unlike other authoritarian groups, Taliban denies not only political freedoms, but seeks to define people's social lives and even individual clothing choices. Similarly, after prolonged US intervention, it is doubtful if citizens of Iraq enjoy all human rights and political freedoms," said Sanjay Pulipaka, Senior Fellow at the Delhi Policy Group.

US Secretary of State Antony Blinken before leaving New Delhi on Wednesday | PTI

Former US Presidents like Barack Obama had called out India over human rights issues. Senators, too, voiced concerns over Kashmir. After abrogation of Article 370, Senator Lindsey Graham had said in a report, "The Appropriations Committee notes with concern the current humanitarian crisis in Kashmir and calls on the government of India to: restore telecommunications and Internet services; lift lockdown and curfew; release individuals detained pursuant to the revocation of Article 370."

Pulipaka feels the downgrade of criticism against India could be a part of a larger US strategy. "The unipolar moment in world politics is long gone. Consequently, US attempts to rap on the knuckles of fellow democracies or others may not yield positive outcomes. For example, a relatively smaller power like Myanmar is not losing sleep over US sanctions. The US needs other democracies to promote human rights. It is here that frameworks such as Quad come into play. While democracies continue their 'quest for a more perfect union', they should simultaneously protect and promote democracy in the larger Indo-Pacific region. Blinken's humility, therefore, is a confident call for more collaboration and a calibrated approach towards the promotion of human rights," he said.

Against use of force in Af settlement: EAM

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

EXTERNAL Affairs Minister S Jaishankar on Thursday said India is working with the global community to push for political negotiations in Afghanistan and will never accept any outcome that comes out of violence and use of force.

"We were clear that there must be a negotiated political settlement in Afghanistan, that there cannot be a military solution, there cannot be a takeover by use of force, that we will work with the international community to ensure that political negotiations for a settlement are pursued seriously and we would never accept any outcome decided by force," the minister said in reply to a question in Rajya Sabha.

India has been concerned over the Taliban's resurgence following the US troop withdrawal in Afghanistan and has continued to engage in talks with the Afghans.

India slams Pakistan for 'elections' in PoK

New Delhi: India has slammed Pakistan for holding elections in Pakistan-occupied Kashmir, terming it cosmetic, one that has been rejected by locals. Ministry of External Affairs Spokesperson Arindam Bagchi said, "So-called elections in Indian territory, under illegal occupation of Pakistan, are an attempt to camouflage its illegal occupation."

8 LAKH GOVT POSTS VACANT

There were around 8.72 lakh vacant posts in different central government departments as on March1, 2020, Minister of State for Personnel Jitendra Singh said on Thursday

15 DISTRICTS IN M.P. ON ALERT FOR HEAVY RAINFALL

INDIA	Max	Min		Max	Min
Ahmedabad	31	26	Mumbai	31	28
Bhopal	26	23	Panaji	29	26
Jaipur	28	26	Patna	31	27
Amritsar	30	26	Lucknow	36	29
Chennai	36	28	Port Blair	31	26
Kolkata	31	27	Imphal	28	22
Srinagar	30	17	Chandigarh	35	30

NATIONAL EDUCATION POLICY

B Tech courses in 5 local languages from this year

14 colleges in 8 states to offer engineering degrees in Tamil, Telugu and 3 other tongues

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ New Delhi

PRIME Minister Narendra Modi on Thursday announced that 14 engineering colleges across eight states have started to offer B Tech in five regional languages for the first time in India.

"This will especially help the poor, needy, Dalits and other backward classes," the PM said at an event organised by the Union Education Ministry to mark one year of the National Education Policy. "We have also developed a tool to translate engineering courses in 11 regional languages. I congratulate students starting their education in regional languages," he added.

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Prime Minister

Authorities in the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) explained that while 60 additional seats have been approved in the 14 institutions, the initial plan was to introduce the course in 12 regional languages in a phase-wise manner.

The five languages in which B Tech is being offered are Hindi, Marathi, Telugu, Tamil and Bengali. M P Poonia, the Vice Chairman of AICTE told this newspaper that, "The engineering institutions which are interested in starting courses in other regional languages without increasing the number of seats are also being allowed from the current academic session."

The PM also launched two schemes: Vidya Pravesh, a three month preschool preparation module for grade one students and SAFAL (Structured Assessment For Analyzing Learning Levels), a competency based assessment framework in CBSE schools for grade three, five and eight.

In addition to speaking about the guidelines for internationalisation of higher education, the PM launched the Academic Bank of Credit (ABC) that will provide multiple entry and exit options for students in higher education.

Nadda meets UP MPs as BJP sets poll ball rolling

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@ New Delhi

SETTING in motion its preparations for the next year's crucial Assembly election in Uttar Pradesh, the BJP on Thursday held a brainstorming session with the party MPs from three regions of the state.

BJP president J P Nadda and UP Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath detailed the achievements of the Central and the state governments to the MPs on Wednesday evening.

Union Home Minister Amit Shah will begin touring Uttar Pradesh from next month to motivate the party cadre ahead of the elctions.

Wednesday's deliberations with Lok Sabha MPs from western parts of the state—Braja (Mathura-Agra) and Kanpur regions—took place at the party headquarters.

The meeting came after the BJP held a similar brainstorming session with the OBC MPs of the party, with a delegation led by a few Union Ministers afterwards calling on the Prime Minister Narendra Modi to bring reservation for OBCs in all India entrance tests for the admissions in graduate, postgraduate and diploma courses in medical education.

The government on Thursday announced quota for the OBC in medcial courses, which sources said, the party will use to set the tone for the UP Assembly polls, likely to be held during February-March next year.

Sources said the saffron party will try to boost its appeal among voters in the OBC-dominated constituencies by dangling the quota. The BJP also expects that its induction of a number of OBC ministers to the Union cabinet will highlight its pro-OBC credentials.

With the BJP sensing that the rival Samajwadi Party will build on its OBC consolidation in the elections, the saffron outfit hopes to make an early start to its outreach to ensure that the OBC support which helped the party in 2017 and 2019 will help it next year as well.

ARMED PEOPLE ON MIZORAM STREETS, SAYS ASSAM; ASKS PEOPLE NOT TRAVEL

PRASANTA MAZUMDAR
@ Guwahati

DAYS after skirmishes on inter-state border left six Assam Police personnel dead and dozens of others injured, the Assam government on Thursday issued a travel advisory, asking people of the state not to travel to Mizoram.

The government pointed to some recent incidents of skirmishes along the Mizoram border in Assam's Cachar, Hailakandi and Karimganj districts.

"Even after this incident, certain Mizo civil society/students and youth organisations are constantly issuing provocative statements against Assam and its people…" the government said.

"It has been reliably learnt from video footage available with the Assam Police that many civilians are heavily armed with automatic weapons. As such, to ensure the safety and security of the people of Assam, a travel advisory is hereby issued," the advisory read.

Activists of Veer Lachit Sena Assam stage protest in front of Mizoram House in Guwahati on Thursday against Monday's violence on interstate border | PTI

The Assam government advised the people from the state who are working in Mizoram to exercise utmost caution.

The government said it would thoroughly check every vehicle that enters Assam from Mizoram.

"In order to check the trafficking of illicit drugs, it is necessary to check all vehicles entering Assam from Mizoram. Such vehicles will be thoroughly checked by Assam Police. These vehicles shall be released only after due satisfaction of an officer, not below the rank of Sub-Inspector, that no illicit drugs are present," the order reads.

Meanwhile, an economic blockade imposed on Mizoram by Assam-based organisation continued, prompting the Mizoram govt to seek Centre's intervention.

Students leader hits out at Assam CM

Mizo Students' Union (MSU) president J Lalmuanzuala accused Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma of damaging the peace in the Northeast. In his "words of advice" for Sarma, Lalmuanzuala said the Assam CM's political ambitions threatened peace in the region. "Before your entrance into the world of politics, there was peace," he said

Cabinet rejig likely in Aug 1st week

According to sources in the Congress party, a Cabinet rejig is likely in the first week of August

Feedback from MLAs may cost Raj ministers their jobs

RAJESH ASNANI @ Jaipur

WITH AICC general secretary Ajay Maken extending his one-on-one discussions with Congress MLAs in Rajasthan by one more day, speculation is rife that some ministers in the Gehlot government may be shunted out owing to negative feedback.

Maken, Congress' Rajasthan in-charge, met MLAs for the second straight day on Thursday to resolve the rift in the state unit. While a Cabinet rejig is likely to happen in August, the tussle between the Gehlot and Pilot factions persists. Pilot loyalists say some existing ministers must be dropped based on their performance and the feedback from MLAs. But the Gehlot camp is in no mood to accommodate the demand.

Maken has completed interaction with 53 MLAs from 20 districts. On Friday, he will hold talks with the office bearers of the state Congress unit.

Many MLAs have reportedly complained to Maken about the working style and behaviour of some senior ministers including PHED Minister B D Kalla, Health Minister Raghu Sharma, Cooperative Minister Parsadilal Meena, Education Minister Govind Singh Dotasra, Transport Minister Pratap Singh Khachariyawas, and UDH Minister Shanti Dhariwal. In a veiled attack on the Sachin Pilkot camp, Health Minister Sharma said such reports are pushed to the media in a planned manner. "They have nothing to do with reality," he added.

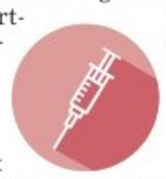
India not on Britain's free jab list

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ New Delhi

THE United Kingdom on Wednesday announced that it will give away 100 million doses of Covid vaccines to Commonwealth and other Asian countries by June 2022. However, India has not been included in the list of beneficiaries.

"We have seen the UK government's announcement of giving vaccines to the Commonwealth and Asian countries. As far as I am aware, we are not on that list," Ministry of External Affairs spokesperson said.

The UK said it would soon begin donating the doses, and the initial nine million doses will be given to Jamaica, Kenya and other Asian countries, starting on Friday. "They will go to countries, vulnerable places like Laos and Cambodia, partners like Indonesia, Malaysia (and) a range of Commonwealth countries from Kenya to Jamaica. This demonstrates we're not just doing it because it's in our own interest. It shows global Britain as a life-saving force for good in the world," UK Foreign Secretary Dominic Raab said.



London aims to donate around 30 million of 100 million doses by December. About 80 per cent of the donations will be done through the Covax programme while the remaining would be given directly to the countries.

According to the UK Foreign Office, the country aims to prioritise vaccine delivery to countries that need it the most.

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COVID TRACKER

4,03,840 Active cases in India

4,404 Rise in active cases

17,28,795 Tests on Wednesday

43,92,697 Shots on Wednesday

1.34% National fatality rate

2.52% National positivity rate

97.38% National recovery rate

Worry factor

The R-factor, which indicates the speed at which Covid-19 is spreading, is climbing steadily with Kerala and northeastern states occupying top spots

Source: Union Health Ministry

EXPRESS READ

Matuas threaten to end support to BJP over delay in CAA rules

Kolkata: A day after Union Minister of State for Home Affairs Nityananda Rai sought a six-month time period to frame the rules for the CAA, the leadership of the All-India Matua Mahasangha said it would withdraw support for the BJP if its demands for the implementation of CAA is delayed. "The minister's announcement has created insecurity as far as citizenship of our community is concerned. If it goes on, Matuas will withdraw their support that was extended to the BJP in the previous 2019 general elections and the recent Assembly polls," said Mahitosh Baidya, general secretary of the body.

SC to lay down guidelines to help HC deal with pendency

New Delhi: Taking note of the high pendency of bail matters in the Allahabad High Court, the Supreme Court on Thursday said it will lay down parameters or guidelines to help. A bench of Justices Sanjay Kishan Kaul and Hemant Gupta said that Allahabad High Court has long pendency of appeals and some broad parameters would have to be laid down, keeping in mind the exigencies of the HC. "The HC of judicature at Allahabad and Lucknow have a long pendency of appeals," the court said, while hearing a batch of 18 petitions, all seeking bail citing the time period already spent in prison by the petitioners.

Maha to ease restrictions in 25 districts

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @ Mumbai

MAHARASHTRA Health Minister Rajesh Tope said that in the CM's pandemic review meeting with the Covid task force, it was decided to relax restrictions in 25 of the state's 36 districts.

"We will relax restrictions in the districts where the positivity rate is less than the state average. While opening the economy, we have to be very careful and cautious. We do not want to see a Kerala-like situation," said Tope. The state's average positivity rate is 3.80%. Satara district has reported a positivity rate of 8.03%, which is the highest in the state.

"The state health department has submitted a report to Chief Minister Uddhav Thackeray recommending that he lift the restrictions in 25 districts which has a positivity rate lower than the state average and has better health infrastructure. The CM will make a decision and an official announcement will be made soon," Tope said.

TROUBLESPOTS

The districts where test positivity rate is higher than state average of 3.8%

DISTRICT	POSITIVITY RATE
Satara	8.03%
Pune	7.23%
Kolhapur	7.18%
Sangali	6.91%
Sindhudurg	6.49%
Solapur	5.90%
Ahmednagar	5.90%
Beed	4.88%
Raigad	4.70%
Ratnagiri	3.83%

He said the state's economy should be restarted by relaxing restrictions. "The government offices will operate with 50 per cent staffers. However, air-conditioning should not be used. Besides, the saloon and parlours will be also given permission to open and function by following Covid-19 protocol," Tope said.

Presently, a week-end lockdown is in place. It was decided in the meeting to let businesses and shops function as usual on Saturdays.

"The shop and hotel owners and people working in their establishments should be fully vaccinated. If not, then the RT-PCR test should be carried out regularly. We are also consulting with the railway authority to ensure that only those who are fully vaccinated will be allowed to commute," Tope said.

Hit-and-run case could go to CBI

MUKESH RANJAN @ Ranchi

THE Jharkhand High Court has made it clear that the hit-and-run case of Dhanbad Judge will be handed over to the CBI if the state police show any laxity in its probe, said Jharkhand HC Advocate Association Treasurer Dheeraj Kumar.

During the hearing on Thursday, the HC also expressed its displeasure over Dhanbad SSP changing his statements over the timing of the registration of the FIR, saying it creates suspicion on the entire incident. The court, however, said it has full confidence over the assurance given by DGP that investigations will be done professionally.

"The CCTV footage clearly show that it is not an accident, but it is a matter of investigation. It appears that the incident was executed only to demoralise judicial officers in the state," the court observed.

Judge Anand, who was hearing several high-profile cases, had recently rejected the bail applications of two accused persons belonging to gangster Aman Singh, a notorious criminal from Uttar Pradesh. Some other cases like murder case of Ranjay Singh, a close aide of Jharia MLA Sanjeev Singh, were also pending before his court.

Meanwhile, to expedite investigation into the hit-and-run case, a 22-member SIT headed by ADG (operations) Sanjay Anand Latkar has been formed. CID and forensic teams have also been roped in.

"An SIT has been formed under ADG (Operations) Sanjay Anand Latkar to look into the details of the matter. The SIT will investigate taking all aspects into consideration," said Jharkhand police spokesperson and IG A V Homkar. The ADG will be assisted by DIG Bokaro and SSP Dhanbad, he added.

Homkar added that rickshaw driver Lakhan Kumar Verma, who was arrested along with his aide Rahul Verma, has admitted he was driving the vehicle when the incident took place. During the probe, it was also revealed that the vehicle, which was used to hit the Judge, was stolen from Dhanbad a few hours before the incident.

Hosps with 50+ beds asked to install oxygen plants

In light of the oxygen shortage faced by various hospitals across the country amid the second wave of Covid-19, the Lt Governor's administration in J&K has ordered all clinical establishments and hospitals having more than 50 beds to establish an Oxygen Generation Plant of appropriate capacity for patient care. "All clinical establishments/hospitals situated in J&K having more than 50 beds shall establish an oxygen generation plant of appropriate capacity," read the order issued by the Additional Chief Secretary Health & Medical Education Department Atal Dulloo. The Directorate of Health Services Kashmir has directed all the Chief Medical Officers to ensure prompt implementation of this order.

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SRINAGAR DIARY

MoU signed with JSW Foundation to renovate parks

Jammu and Kashmir government has inked a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with JSW Foundation (JSWF) for the restoration and conservation of two Mughal gardens in Srinagar – Nishat and Shalimar. The MoU was signed by Commissioner/Secretary, Floriculture, Gardens and Parks Sheikh Fayaz Ahmad and Chairperson JSWF Sangita Jindal. The JSWF will assist the government financially and technically in preserving the two heritage gardens as a part of its Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR). The restoration works will be monitored by a project monitoring committee headed by the Commissioner/Secretary to the government, Department of Floriculture Gardens and Parks.

Weekend curfew to be lifted in Srinagar

Amid a decline in Covid-19 cases and deaths in Jammu and Kashmir, the government has lifted the weekend curfew that was in place in 20 districts of the Union Territory. This was stated in a government order, which disclosed that there has been a significant drop in number of daily positive cases, test positivity rate, fatality rate, bed-occupancy rate at hospitals across J&K districts. However, the daily night curfew from 8 pm to 7 am shall remain in force across the UT. Public and private educational institutions can ask up to 25 vaccinated staff members to come for work.

Strict ban on use of single-use plastic

The Srinagar Municipal Corporation (SMC) has ordered a complete ban on the sale and use of polythene and prohibited single-use plastics within the Srinagar municipal limits. SMC Commissioner Athar Amir Khan said nobody should bring polythene or single-use plastics into the city for personal or commercial use via any of the entry points of the city. It also directed that nobody should engage in the sale of polythene and single-use plastics. A person found using these items will be asked to pay a penalty of `500.

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IN THE COURT OF THE III ADDL. CHIEF METROPOLITAN MAGISTRATE AT BENGALURU

C.MISC. No. 722/2021

BETWEEN: 1) GOPAL. N, S/o. Late Narasimharnurthy, Aged about 33 years, Residing at No. 28, 1st Main Road, Deepanjali Nagar, Mysore Road, Bangalore-560 026. **2) MANESH. N,** S/o. Late Narasimharnurthy, Aged about 28 years, Residing at No. 28, 1st Main Road, Deepanjali Nagar, Mysore Road, Bangalore-560 026. **...PETITIONERS** AND: **The Commissioner,** THE REGISTRAR OF BIRTHS & DEATHS, BBMP, Bengaluru. **...RESPONDENT**

PUBLIC NOTICE

Whereas, the petitioner named above has filed the above petition seeking direction to The Commissioner, THE REGISTRAR OF BIRTHS & DEATHS, BBMP, Bengaluru to register the date of death of the deceased who is the father of petitioner by name **Late SRI. NARASIMHA MURTHY S/o. Late Byrappa, who was died on 07-08-2020 at No. 28, 1st Main Road, Deepanjalinagar, Mysore Road, Bengaluru-560 026** and issue the direction accordingly for the death certificate.

It is required to produce the same before the concerned authorities for documentation for transfer of Katha and for other legal purposes and service benefits.

Any person interested and having any objection in this matter, may appear before the above court at **11-00 a.m. on 30.08.2021** to which date the case is posted for hearing.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court this 30th day of July 2021.

By order of the Court, Sheristedar, III ACMM Court, Bengaluru.

Advocate for Petitioner: **Smt. VINITHA. A,** Advocate, No.36, 3rd Cross, 2nd Main, Deepanjalinagar, Mysore Road, Bengaluru-560 026.

PUBLIC NOTICE

I, the undersigned advocate submit on behalf of my client **Sri Manjunatha S/o Late Srirama,** aged about 33 years, R/at: Kempathimmanahalli village, Kasaba Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District and others have filed the above petition for the death certificate of one **Late Narayanaswamy S/o Late Chikkavenkatappa** who was died **on 10.01.2007** at Kempathimmanahalli village, Kasaba Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District. If any parties who have objections may dispute regarding the same can appear before the Hon'ble Principal Civil Judge and JMFC at Devanahalli and the date of hearing **on 30.08.2021 at 11.00 a.m. in C.Misc No.78/2021**

By Order of the Court, Sd/- Chief Ministerial Officer
Civil Judge & JMFC Court, Devanahalli
Sri R. Devegowda, Advocate

PUBLIC NOTICE

I, the undersigned advocate submit on behalf of my client **Sri.S. Ramappa** as filed the petition death certificate deceased **Seethappa @ Sheethappa S/o Muniyappa** who was died **on 10.05.1965** at Ibasapura village, Channarayapatna Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, If any of the parties who are objections or climes may disputes regarding the same could appear before the Hon'ble Principal civil Judge & J.M.F.C., Court at Devanahalli and date of **Hearing on is the 19.08.2021, at 11-00.AM in C. Mis No. 116/2021.**

By Order of the Court, Sd/- Chief Ministerial Officer
Civil Judge & JMFC Court, Devanahalli
Sri Devaraja B.A., Advocate

PUBLIC NOTICE

I, the undersigned advocate submit on behalf of my client Sri Manjunatha S/o Late Srirama, aged about 33 years, R/at: Kempathimmanahalli village, Kasaba Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District and others have filed the above petition for the death certificate of one **Late Lakshmamma W/o Late Narayanaswamy** who was died on **08.11.2000** at Kempathimmanahalli village, Kasaba Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District. If any parties who have objections may dispute regarding the same can appear before the Hon'ble Principal Civil Judge and JMFC at Devanahalli and the date of hearing on **30.08.2021 at 11.00 a.m. in C.Misc No.79/2021**

By Order of the Court, Sd/- Chief Ministerial Officer
Civil Judge & JMFC Court, Devanahalli
Sri R. Devegowda, Advocate

PUBLIC NOTICE

My Client, **Mrs. B. Geetha Baliga,** W/o. Dr. Bantwal Sadashiva Baliga, is the co-owner of the property bearing Khatha No.1075, House List No.6/1, Assessment register No.3482, formed out of Sy No.92, situated at Gottigere village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk and property bearing Khatha No.1076, House List No.6/2, Assessment register No.3483, formed out of Sy No.88/1 and 92, situated at Gottigere village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, having acquired the same by virtue of absolute Sale Deed dated.09.07.2004 from Sri. L. S. Anantha Padmanabha Shetty and Sri. K. S. Dushyanth.

My Client calls upon me to notify the General Pubic that she has lost the Original Sale Deed, Dated.09.07.2004, Document No.KEN-1-14175-2004-05, C.D. No. KEND114, Registered in the office of the Sub Registrar Kengere, Bangalore, on 25.06.2021 in BTM 2nd Stage, and has instituted a Police Complaint in this regard before the jurisdictional Police Station. Any person coming into custody of the said original Sale Deed is hereby requested to hand over the same at the below mentioned address within seven days.

The general public is further cautioned not to misuse the said Original Sale Deed for any purpose whatsoever and in the event any person is found to be misusing the said Sale Deed shall be liable for prosecution at their own costs and risk and my Client shall not be liable for any loss or injury arising there from.

Notice Issued by:
S. Noormohammed
Advocate & Consultant,
No.15/2, II Floor, I Cross, Srikantan Layout, Crescent road, High grounds, Bangalore – 560 001. Cell: 9845588499.

PUBLIC NOTICE

1, the undersigned advocate submit on behalf of my client **Sri.S. Ramappa** as filed the petition death certificate deceased **Seethappa @ Sheethappa S/o Muniyappa** who was died **on 23.03.2002** at Ibasapura village, Channarayapatna Hobli,Devanahalli Taluk, If any of the parties who are objections or climes may disputes regarding the same could appear beforethe Hon'ble Principal civil Judge & J.M.F.C., Court at Devanahalli and date of **Hearing on is the 19.08.2021, at 11-00.AM in C. Mis No. 117/2021.**

By Order of the Court, Sd/- Chief Ministerial Officer
Civil Judge & JMFC Court, Devanahalli
Sri Devaraja B.A., Advocate

PUBLIC NOTICE

1, the undersigned advocate submit on behalf of my client **Smt.Akkayamma & another** as filed the petition death certificate deceased **Munishamappa S/o Thammanappa** who was died **on 26.09.1971** at Aradeshahalli village, Kundana Hobli,Devanahalli Taluk, If any of the parties who are objections or climes may disputes regarding the same could appear beforethe Hon'ble Additional civil Judge & J.M.F.C., Court at Devanahalli and date of **Hearing on is the 26.08.2021, at 11-00.AM in C. Mis No. 106/2021.**

By Order of the Court, Sd/- Chief Ministerial Officer
Civil Judge & JMFC Court, Devanahalli
Sri Devaraja B.A., Advocate

AFFIDAVIT

I, **SUNITHA SHARMA,** C/o Susheela Sharma, age 35 years, residing at Apartment No. G-2, K Block, Golden Orchid, Lavelle Road, Bengaluru-560 001, do hereby inform to the general public that I reside in the above mentioned address and I live with my mother and daughter. In the year 2007, I delivered a girl child and in the same year on 11/12/2007 in Hosahalli Referal Hospital, my house help named Prema also delivered a girl child, soon after the delivery she was discharged from the hospital and came back to my house, the house help told me to take care of her child for few months, as she had an emergency and left the child with me and also promised that she will return as soon as possible, but she never came back till date. Name of the father of the child is Venkatesh and I have named the child as V. Lakshmi. Since then I has been 13 years, she has neither returned back nor contacted and asked about the whereabouts of the child. Iam still staying at the same above mentioned address. If the mother or the family of the child wants to take custody of the said child can contact my advocate Mr. Kashif Malhan at +917022216949. If the parents or the family of the child does not claim for the child, I would take the custody of the child legally as the sole guardain and I state that the contents of this affidavit are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief and sworn before Notary V. Rangaraju at Bangalore.

KARNATAKA POWER CORPORATION LIMITED

(VARAHI HYDROELECTRIC PROJECT)
CIN: U85110KA1970SGC001919

No: KPCL/2021-22/PS/WORK_INDENT11429 Dt: 27.07.2021

ABSTRACT BID NOTIFICATION

(Through e-Procurement Portal Only)

Tenders in Two Parts (pre-bid qualification and price bid) are invited for the work of **"Providing additional earthing to MDPH ODY earth mat".** at an Estimated cost of **Rs. 7,31,415/-** inclusive of GST. The details of NIT & tender documents can also be seen in website **www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in** Last date for online submission of completed bids is **17.08.2021 up to 17:30 Hrs,** tender processing fee as per e-Portal. Date of opening of Part-I (pre-qualification & technical bid) is **19.08.2021 at 10:30 Hrs** & date of opening of Part-II (Price bid) of the successful qualified bidders is **21.08.2021 at 10:30 hrs.** For more details please visit **http://karnatakapower.com** or cotnact **Executive Engineer (O&M) Mani, KPCL, Masthikatte-577425, Shivamogga (D), Karnataka State, Phone: 08185-265222, Cell: 9449598851, e-Mail: eeomkpcl@gmail.com during office hours.**

BENGALURU URBAN, BENGALURU RURAL & RAMANAGARA DIST. CO-OP. MILK PRODUCERS' SOCIETIES UNION LIMITED

Bangalore Dairy, D.R. College Post, Dr. M.H. Marigowda Road, Bengaluru-560029.

TECHNICAL AND COMMERCIAL TENDER OF WORKS PART-1 TENDER INVITATION (I F T)

IFT No. BAMUL/M(E)E-Tender/PW-06/11/15/2021-22 **Date: 28-07-2021**

E-TENDER NOTICE

Tender are invited through e-procurement portal from eligible tenderers registered in PWD Department / Central PWD Department / M.E.S Departments at the following places at Bangalore Milk Union Ltd. Work details and schedule is given in the Table below. The Earnest Money Deposit (E.M.D.) should be valid for 45 days beyond the validity of the tender. Earnest money deposit will have to be paid in any one of the forms as specified in the tender document through e-procurement portal only.

Package No.	Name of Works	Estimated cost of work (in Rs.)	EMD Amount (in Rs.)	Period of Completion	Contractors Grade
KW-2	Construction Of HardPark, Retaining wall & Gate beside the new P&I office at BAMUL premises (Re Tender)	31,97,511.00	64,000.00	90 Days (Including Monsoon)	Class-2 and above
KW-2	Accommodation for Marketing and MIS section @New P&I Block (Re Tender)	29,56,556.00	60,000.00	90 Days (Including Monsoon)	Class-2 and above

1	Access to E-Tender Portal only	From 29.07.2021 to 04.08.2021 upto 3.30 PM
2	Last date for tender Queries	03.08.2021 upto 2.30 PM
3	Last date & time for Submission of Tenders	04.08.2021 upto 3.00 PM
4	Date & time for opening of Technical Tender (Part-I)	05.08.2021 upto 3.15 PM
5	Date & time for opening of Commercial Tender (Part-II)	Will be informed to successful tenderer
6	Place of pre-bid meeting, opening of Technical / Commercial Bid	Bamul, Board Room, Dr. M.H. Marigowda Road, Bengaluru-560029

More details on the tender are available in e-procurement portal **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in.**

Sd/- Managing Director
Tender Inviting Authority, Bangalore Milk Society Union Limited

KRISHNA BHAGYA JALA NIGAM LIMITED

(A Government of Karnataka Under Taking)
Office of the Executive Engineer, KBJNL.NRBC.Divn.No.6, Chikkahonnakuni,Tq: Devadurga. Dist:Raichur-584 111. KARNATAKA.

No. KBJNL/NRBC/D-6/PB-2/ AME-2021-22/TND//2021-22/ 240 DATED: 27-07-2021

SHOR TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION
(ONLY THROUGH ELECTRONIC TENDER SYSTEM)

On behalf of the Managing Director, KBJNL, Bengaluru, the Executive Engineer KBJNL, NRBC, Division No.6, Chikkahonnakuni Tq: Devadurga, Dist: Raichur invites percentage tenders in two cover system from Registered Contractors KPWD Class-I & Labour registration for the work of AME-2021-22 as detailed below. The tenderers are required to upload two separate covers, Cover-I containing technical bid with details as mentioned under instructions to the tenderers vide clause 1.1, and cover-II containing financial bid of tender which will be opened only if the renderer is found to be qualified under clause 1.1 (The blank tenders can be obtained through website www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in and submitted through electronic tender box).

"AME of Dy-15 & 16 for 2021-22 having Amount of **Rs. 62.365 Lakhs"**

• Tender is to be upload in two covers Without EMD

The details of events for the above works as per the notification is mentioned as below:-

1) The Contractors can have access to e-tendering documents from **03/08/2021 to 12/08/2021** from 10.00Am to 4.00Pm. 2) Last Date of Receipt of the above Tenders is **12/08/2021** up to 4.00Pm. 3) Technical Bid will be opened in the office of the Executive Engineer, KBJNL, Division No.6, Chikkahonakuni on **13/08/2021** @ 5.00 Pm. (If possible), 4) Financial Bid will be opened in the office of the Executive Engineer, KBJNL, Division No.6, Chikkahonakuni on **18/08/2021** @ 11.00 Am.

For any clarification regarding the tenders please Contact htt://eproc.karnataka.gov.in or office of the under signed during office hours on working days.

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
KBJNL, NRBC, Division No.6, CHIKKAHONNAKUNI-584111.

DIP/Raichur/230/MC&A/2021-22

KARNATAKA STATE TOURISM DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION LTD.

(A Government of Karnataka Undertaking)

Corporate Office: Ground Floor, B.M.T.C. T.T.M.C. Bus Stand, Yeshwanthpur Circle, Bengaluru-560 022. Ph.: 080-43344334 Fax: 080-43344376 Website: **www.kstdc.co**

No: KSTDC/15/TPT/2018-19/618/2021-22 Date: 27.07.2021

NOTIFICATION (TENDER CUM OPEN AUCTION)

Karnataka State Tourism Development Corporation Ltd. (KSTDC) invites Tender cum Open Auction in the prescribed Application from the interested bidders for the sale of Old and Used 14 KSTDC Vehicles on as is where is basis. Vehicle details are below.

Sl.No.	Vehicle No.	Type	Model	Make	EMD Rs.
1	KA-01-D-3304	Non AC	2008	Ashok Leyland	Rs.25,000/-
2	KA-01-D-3305	Non AC	2008	Ashok Leyland	
3	KA-01-D-3306	Non AC	2008	Ashok Leyland	
4	KA-01-D-3307	Non AC	2008	Ashok Leyland	
5	KA-01-D-3311	Non AC	2008	Ashok Leyland	
6	KA-01-D-3313	Non AC	2008	Ashok Leyland	
7	KA-01-D-3314	Non AC	2008	Ashok Leyland	
8	KA-01-D-3315	Non AC	2008	Ashok Leyland	
9	KA-01-D-3882	AC	2008	Ashok Leyland	
10	KA-01-D-3883	AC	2008	Ashok Leyland	
11	KA-01-D-2217	AC	2008	Volvo	
12	KA-01-D-2218	AC	2008	Volvo	
13	KA-01-D-2775	AC	2008	Volvo	
14	KA-01-D-2776	AC	2008	Volvo	

Interested parties may submit their application along with EMD amount of Rs.25,000/- DD drawn in favour of MD, KSTDC **on or before 11.08.2021 at 17.00 HRS** at Corporate Office by addressing General Manager (Admin), KSTDC, Corporate Office, BMTC-TTMC Building, Yeshwanthpur, Bengaluru-560022. Detailed tender documents and applications can be obtained from General Manager (Admin), KSTDC Ltd, Corporate Office, Yeshwanthpur TTMC, BMTC Bus Stand, Yeshwanthpur Circle, Bengaluru-560022., Intending bidder may inspect the vehicles parked at KSTDC Workshop, behind Govt. Soap Factory, Industrial Area, Opp. TVS Centre, Yeshwanthpur, Bengaluru-560022. Date and time of Auction **12.08.2021 at 11.00 HRS.** If applicants fail to enclose the EMD, such application will be rejected. For more information contact Telephone No: 080 43344386 and 8970650027.

Sd/- General Manager (Admin)/Tender Inviting Authority, KSTDC

THE KARUR VYSYA BANK LTD

DIVISIONAL OFFICE
No.6, 2nd Floor, Sajjan Rao Circle, V V Puram, Bangalore – 560 004

POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable Property)
Issued Under Rule 8(1) Of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Whereas, The undersigned being the Authorized officer of **The Karur Vysya Bank Limited** under the Securitization & Reconstruction of Financial Assets And Enforcement of Security Interest (Second) Act, 2002 (Act 54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice dated **24.05.2021** calling upon the borrower **(1) Mr. Mohan Rao B,** S/o. Sri. Venkata Krishna and **(2) Mrs. Jyothi. M,** W/o. Mohan Rao B; both residing at No.61, Jayanna House, 8th Main, 1st Cross, Hosur Main Road, Hosapalaya, Bangalore – 560 068 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs. 1,74,56,118.69** (Rupees One Crore Seventy Four Lakhs Fifty Six Thousand One Hundred Eighteen and paise Sixty Nine only) within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under sub-section (4) of section 13 of Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules, 2002 on this the **26th day of July of the year 2021.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **The Karur Vysya Bank Limited** for an amount of **Rs. 1,77,40,445.42** (Rupees One Crore Seventy Seven Lakhs Forty Thousand Four Hundred Forty Five and paise Forty Two only) and interest thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Description of the Immovable Property

Apartment/Residential Unit No. 180/30 D also known as unit II, (presently bearing E Khata No. 180/30D, SL No. 150200102701020743), on the Second floor of Vaishnavi Anantya, formed in Sy No 119/2, duly converted vide Order No. ALN (A) (SH) SR 98A/2011-12 being constructed on Schedule A property in the terms of Sanction Plan and rectified order vide LAO 91/11-12 dated 10.02.2012, situated at S. Medahalli village, Handenahalli Village Panchayath, Sarjapura hobli, Anekal Taluk, measuring 2762.79 sq feet of super buildup area & 1258.85 sq feet of UDS Bounded: On the East by: Flat No. 180/29, On the West by: Passage and Indus International School Building, On the North by: Road and On the South by: Passage and Flat No. 180/28D

Place: Bangalore **Sd/- Chief Manager/Authorized Officer**
Date : 26.07.2021 **The Karur Vysya Bank Limited**

Bank of Baroda

(A Government of India undertaking)
(Erstwhile Vijaya Bank)
J. C. Road Branch
Email: vjjcro@bankofbaroda.co.in
Phone: 080-22224835

Possession Notice

(FOR IMMOVABLE PROPERTY) APPENDIX IV under Act- Rule 8(1)

Whereas, the Authorized Officer of Now Bank Of Baroda, J C Road Branch, Bangalore under the securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under Sec.13(2) read with Rule-3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 issued Demand Notice dated **11.02.2021** calling upon the **1) Sri Manjunath C A** S/o Ashwathanarayana Chari, No 71/4, 10th Cross, Manjunatha Garden, Shilpa Complex Road, Kanakapura Main Road, Jaraganahalli, JP Nagar 6th Phase, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru - 560078, **2) Sri Manjunath C A** S/o Ashwathanarayana Chari, No 66, 10th Cross, Manjunatha Garden, Jaraganahalli, JP Nagar 6th Phase, Bengaluru - 560078 **(Borrower)** to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being under of **Rs 60,49,675.33** (Rupees Sixty Lakhs Forty Nine Thousand Six Hundred Seventy Five Thirty Three Paise Only) within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrower/Guarantor/Mortgagor of the property having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower/Guarantor/ Owner of the property in particular and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section (4) of Section 13 of the Act read with rule 8 & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this the **27th day of July of the year 2021.**

The borrower/Guarantor/Mortgagor in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the Bank of Baroda for an amount of **Rs 60,49,675.33** (Rupees Sixty Lakhs Forty Nine Thousand Six Hundred Seventy Five Thirty Three Paise Only) plus interest thereon along with cost.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the property bearing No 71/4, situated at Jaranagahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk now property comes under the Administrative jurisdiction of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) Bangalore Karnataka State. Total area of land 1225 Sq Ft East to West 35 feet & North to South 35 Feet in all measuring 1225 Sq Feet and bounded on the East by: Road, West by: Property belonging to Prabha, North by: Remaining portion of the same property, South by: Road.

Place: Bengaluru Sd/- Authorised Officer
Date: 27.07.2021 Bank of Baroda,
JC Road Branch, Bengaluru

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank

(A GOVERNMENT OF INDIA UNDERTAKING)

Koramangala Layout, 348, 100ft Road, 4th Block, Koramangala, Bengaluru-560034
Ph: 080-25504600/080-25536364/080-25531640
E-mail: cb0885@canarabank.com

POSSESSION NOTICE [See Rule 8(1) of SARFAESI RULES]

Whereas: The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the **Canara Bank,** under Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act 54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (2) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 has issued a Demand Notices calling upon the Borrowers / Mortgagors / Guarantors to repay the amount mentioned In the notice within **60 days** from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrowers having failed to repay the amount, Notice is hereby given to the Borrowers and the Public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, date on **28.07.2021.**

The Borrowers in particular and the Public in General are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charges of the **Canara Bank,** for an amount interest and Other Charges mentioned below.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

1. Name and Address of the Borrower / Co-Borrower / Mortgagor / Guarantor : 1) M/s Shri Balaji Agro Industries represented by its **Guarantors Sri Achut K B Sri Pradeep V and Smt Rani V**

Total amount mentioned in the Possession notice : Rs. 2,06,13,267.04 (Rupees Two Crore Six Lakh Thirteen Thousand Two Hundred Sixty Seven and Four Paise Only) and interest thereon.

Demand Notice Dated :03.04.2021

1) Description of the Immovable Property : Name of Title Holder Sri V Pradeep, Fresh Registered MODTD of property bearing property No.7-2-501-21/1, Khata No.848/1392/1179/4 earlier portion of No.1392/1179 situated at Durgappura Village, 7th Division, Doddaballapura, Bangalore rural District, Within the limits of CMC, Doddaballapura, Bangalore rural District in all measuring East West 74 Feet and North South 38 Feet in all measuring 2812 Square feet together with residential building constructed thereon. Boundaries: North: Remaining portion of same property, South : Road, East: Property of R L Prasad, West: House of Siddaramaih.

2) Description of the Immovable Property : Name of title Holder: Smt V Rani, Sri V Pradeep, Smt. Nirmala and Smt. Gayathri, Fresh Registered MODTD of property bearing property No.7-2-501-21-2, Khata No.848/1392/1179 earlier portion of No.1392/1179 situated at Durgappura Village, 7th Division, Doddaballapura, Bangalore Rural District, Within the limits of CMC, Doddaballapura, Bangalore Rural District in all measuring 804.88Square mteres together with residential building constructed thereon. Boundaries: North: Road, South: Road, East: Property of No.7-2-501/21/1, West: Road.

3) Description of the Movable Property : Stock and Book Debts valued at Rs.309.44 lakh as per Stock statement dated 31.08.2020, Name of Title Holder: M/s Shri Balaji Agro Industries, No.439, 6th Main A Block, Milk Colony, 17th Cross, Rajajinagar, 2nd Stage, Bangalore-560010.

Date : 28.07.2021 **Sd/-Authorized Officer**
Place : Bangalore **Canara Bank**

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

(CONSTRUCTION ORGANISATION) E-TENDER NOTICE No. ERS/S G/CN/2021/03(OT)

For and on behalf of The President of India, The Deputy Chief Signal & Telecommunication Engineer, Construction, Ernakulam invites E-Tender for the following works:

Name of the work: Supply, installation, testing and commissioning of Automatic fire detection and alarm system (AFDAS) as per RDSO Specification No. RDSO/SPN/217/2021 Ver 3.0 or latest for S&T accommodation at Chingavanam, Kottayam, Ettumanur, Kuruppantara, Ambalapuzha, Haripad, Padil & Jokatte stations.

Approximate cost of the work: ₹ 84,85,733

Cost of Tender Form: Nil
Earnest Money Deposit (EMD): Nil
Completion Period of work: 3 (Three) Months
Tender Closing Date and Time: 19/08/2021 @ 11.30 Hrs.
Notice board particulars where details of can be obtained: Office of the Dy Chief Signal & Telecommunication Engineer, (Construction), Southern Railway, Ernakulam Juction

Note: **1.** Bid security declaration in lieu of EMD **2.** GST as per extant rules is applicable for the supply and services by the tenderer. **3.** Visit **www.ireps.gov.in** for detailed terms and conditions and other details.

Dy Chief Signal & Telecom Engineer, (Construction), Ernakulam Junction

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T. Mariyappa Road, 1st. Block, Jayanagar
Bangalore- 560011
Ph:080-22959680, 22959679, bm0273@unionbankofindia.com

POSSESSION NOTICE (Rule 8(1) (For Immovable Properties))

Whereas, the under signed being the Authorised Officer of **Union Bank of India, Jayanagar Branch,** under Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with rule 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued demand notices dated calling upon the following Borrowers / Guarantors / Mortgagers to repay the amount mentioned in the notice with further interest / cost etc,. **within 60 days** from the date of the said notice. Details of demand notices such as date of issue and loan outstanding amount are mentioned against each borrower under.

1. Name of the Borrowers/Mortgagers: (1) Mr. K.Chandra Kumar, (2) Mrs. P.Geetha
Demand notice dated : 06.04.2021 **Possession Notice Date : 29.07.2021**

Total amount mentioned in the notice: Rs.53,62,709.68 (Rupees Fifty Three Lakhs Sixty Two Thousand Seven Hundred Nine and Sixty Eight Paise Only) and interest thereon.

Equitable mortgage of immovable property described herein below: All that part and parcel of the property consisting Residential Flat No. FF-01 Fourth Floor, MSR Nigam Apartment, Site No. 115, BBMP Khata No. 597/4598/ 2516/ 115/150, 5th Cross, Near Nehru Memorial School, Raja Layout, Nagadevanahalli, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore-560060. Measuring East to West 80 ft and North to South 45 ft in all measuring 3600 Sq.ft. Bounded by : East : Road, West : Site No.116, North : Site No. 114, South : Road.

2. Name of the Borrowers/Mortgagers: (1) Mr. N.Srinivasan (2) Mrs. Lakshmi Srinivasan.N. (3) Mr.Krishnappa.N (Guarantor)
Demand notice dated : 06.04.2021 **Possession Notice Date : 29.07.2021**

Total amount mentioned in the notice: **Rs.19,88,522.53** (Rupees Nineteen Lakhs Eighty eight Thousand Five Hundred Twenty Two and Fifty Three Paisa Only) and interest thereon.

Equitable mortgage of immovable property described herein below: All that part and parcel of he property consisting Land And Building Property bearing house list No. 23, Property No. 116/62/4-23, Old Khatha No. 166, Asst No. 62/4, Near Madhura Garments, Parappana Agrahara, Electronic City Post, Begur Hobli, Bangalore-560100. Measuring East to West 40 ft and North to South 30 ft in all measuring 1200 Sq. Ft. Bounded by : East : 25 ft Road, West : Property No.6, North : Property No.24, South : Property No. 22.

3. Name of the Borrowers/Mortgagers: (1) Mr. Narayana Rao.N (2) Mrs. Monica.N.
Demand notice dated : 06.04.2021 **Possession Notice Date : 29.07.2021**

Total amount mentioned in the notice: **Rs.56,86,317.98** (Rupees Fifty Six Lakhs Eighty Six Thousand Three Hundred Seventeen and Ninety Eight Paisa Only) and interest thereon.

Equitable mortgage of immovable property described herein below: All that part and parcel of the property consisting Land and Building @ Site No.29, Katha No. 35/4, Property No. 35/4 & 35/5, Off Yelanahalli Main Road, Yelanahalli Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore-560068 and Bounded by : East : Site No. 42, West : Road, North : Site no. 28, South : Site No. 30.

The above borrowers / Mortgagers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers / Guarantors / Mortgagers and the public in general that the under signed has taken symbolic possession of the properties described herein above in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under section 13(4) of the said act read with the rule 9 of the said Rules on above dates. The Borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Sub-Section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

The Borrowers / Guarantors / Mortgagers and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of **Union Bank of India, Jayanagar Branch,** for the amount mentioned against their names with further interest accrued thereon cost.

Date : 29.07.2021 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place : Bangalore **Union Bank of India**

Can Fin Homes Ltd

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KORAMANGALA BRANCH

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POSSESSION NOTICE

(For Immovable Property) [Rule 8 (1)]

The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of Can Fin Homes Ltd. under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of the powers under the said Act and Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, issued a demand notice on the below mentioned dates calling upon the following borrower(s)/co-borrowers/guarantors to repay the amount mentioned in the notice with further interest at contractual rates till date of realization within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice. The borrowershaving failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below, against each borrower, in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on dates mentioned hereinafter.

Sl. No	Name of the Borrowers	Description of the property mortgaged	Date of Demand Notice	Out-standing Amount	Date of Possession
1	Mrs. Latha N & Mr. Venkataramu D V	All that piece and parcel of an Immovable residential property bearing Site No.1A, Assesment No.99 situated at Machohalli Village, Dasanapura Hobli,Bangalore North taluk measuring East to West:30 feet, North to South:37 feet totally measuring 1110 Sq ftNorth by : Road. East by : Road, West by : Site No.2A, South by: Remaining Portion of Sy no.99	01-04-2021	Rs. 42,60,688/-	24-07-2021
2	Mrs. LAKSHAMMA and Mr. MARUTHI S L	All that piece and parcel of an Immovable residential property bearing Site No.103, Formed in old converted Sy No.21/11, VP Katha No.1828/35/21/9,10 & 11 situated at Magadi Apple layout, Ajjanahalli Village, Tavarekere Hobli, Bangalore South taluk, Bangalore-562130. Site measuring East to West 40 feet North to South 30 feet in Total 1200 Sqft, North by : Site No.102, East by : Road, West by : Site No.114, South by: Site No.104.	08-07-2019	Rs. 8,21,680/-	24-07-2021
3	Mr. N NATARAJ and Mrs. UMA	All that piece and parcel of an Immovable residential property bearing Western Portion of Site No.104, Assessment No.65/6, Nisarga Layout, Abbigere Village,Yeshwanthapura Hobli,Bangalore North taluk. Site measuring East to West 15 feet and North to South 40 feet in Total measuring 600 Sq ftNorth by :- 25 feet Road.East by :Remaining Portion of the same site.West by :Site No.103South by:Private Property	08-07-2019	Rs. 16,38,255/-	24-07-2021
4	Mr. Annayappa B N & Mrs. Manjula L	All that piece and parcel of an Immovable residential property bearing Site No.20 Computerized property No.152900200 401920012, Khaneshumari Khatha No.20/93/1A2/ 20 Carved out of old Sy No.93/1A and New Sy No.93/1A1 and 93/1A2 Situated at Hill view, Hosakote Village, Harohalli Hobli, Kanakapura taluk,Ramanagara Dist., Measuring East to West 30 feet and North to South 49 feet Totally measuring 1470 Sq ft Duly converted from Agricultural Purpose to Non agricultural Residential Purposes Vide Ref No.(1) DC/ ALN(K) SR 18/2007-08 dated 18/02/2008 (2) DC/ ALN(K)CR 121/2012-13 Dated 18/05/2013, North by :- Private Property. East by :-Plot No.19, West by : Plot No.21, South by: Road	04-03-2020	Rs. 5,89,616/-	24-07-2021
5	Mr. ANNAYAPPA B N & Mrs. MANJULA L	All that piece and parcel of an Immovable residential property bearing Site No.43 Computerized property No.152900200 401920020, Khaneshumari Khatha No.43/93/1A2/ 43 Carved out of old Sy No.93/1A and New Sy No.93/1A1 and 93/1A2 Situated at "Hill view", Hosakote Village, Harohalli Hobli, Kanakapura taluk, Ramanagara Dist., Measuring East to West 30 feet and North to South 55 feet Totally measuring 1650 Sq ft Duly converted from Agricultural Purpose to Non agricultural Residential Purposes Vide Ref No.(1) DC/ ALN(K) SR 18/2007-08 dated 18/02/2008 (2) DC/ ALN(K)CR 121/2012-13 Dated 18/05/2013, North by : Road, East by : Plot No.44, West by : Plot No.42, South by: Private Property	04-03-2020	Rs. 5,87,484/-	24-07-2021
6	Mr. Ravi T R, and Mrs. Kamala K V	All that piece and parcel of the property Site No.141, V P Khatha no. 7/172, Spoorthy Layout, Herohalli Village, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore Measuring East to West 45 feet, North to South 35 feet totally measuring 1575 Sq ft and bounded on East By: Road, West By: Private Property, North By: Property No. 140, South By : Property No. 142	01-04-2021	Rs. 26,24,

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Dhaka	30	27	TDS	Moscow	26	17	TDS
Dubai	43	32	LC	New York	28	16	SNY
Houston	34	26	TDS	Singapore	33	27	LC
Istanbul	35	24	SNY	Toronto	20	14	SNY
London	18	13	LR	Washington	31	16	LC

WEB OF LIES

Britain jails German art dealer over £1mn theft

LONDON

A GERMAN art dealer who used her husband's family name to steal from unsuspecting clients and fund an extravagant lifestyle was jailed in Britain on Thursday.

Angela Gulbenkian, 40, was sentenced to three and a half years after pleading guilty to stealing more than £1 million ($1.4 million, 1.2 million euros) through fraudulent art deals. Southwark Crown Court in south London was told Gulbenkian, who married into a prominent arts family, used her social pedigree to convince victims to part with money.

She then splurged hundreds of thousands of pounds on travel and shopping sprees that included the purchase of a £25,000 Rolex watch and charter of a private jet.

"Running through all of this criminality was a sustained obfuscation on your part," judge David Tomlinson told her before passing sentence.

The Munich socialite will only serve 18 months in jail, having already spent two years in custody following her arrest in Lisbon.

The court was told the art dealer brokered the sale of a sculpted spotted yellow pumpkin by Japanese artist Yayoi Kusama to a Hong Kong-based arts company. But the object was never delivered after some £982,000 was transferred to her personal bank account. She also stole £50,000 from a friend, promising to help invest the money in art, and spent it herself.

Laura Hoon, from the Crown Prosecution Service, said Gulbenkian used "her status and powerful connections in the art dealing world" to appear legitimate. *AFP*

Iran nuke talks cannot go on indefinitely: US

But Joe Biden administration is 'fully prepared' to continue negotiations, says State Secretary Antony Blinken

KUWAIT CITY

US Secretary of State Antony Blinken said on Thursday that nuclear talks with Iran "cannot go on indefinitely" but that Washington was "fully prepared" to continue negotiations.

The US is indirectly involved in Iran's talks with world powers to revive a nuclear deal that gave Iran some relief from international sanctions in exchange for limits on its nuclear programme. The deal was torpedoed in 2018 by then US president Donald Trump, who unilaterally withdrew from the agreement and imposed punishing sanctions.

"We're committed to diplomacy, but this process cannot go on indefinitely... we look to see what Iran is ready to do or not ready to do and remain fully prepared to return to Vienna to continue negotiations," Blinken said during a visit to Kuwait on Thursday. "The ball remains in Iran's court."

Kuwaiti Foreign Minister Sheikh Ahmad Nasser al-Mohammed Al-Sabah (right) greets US Secretary of State Antony Blinken with an elbow-bump during a joint-press conference in Kuwait City on Thursday | AFP

Iranian President Hassan Rouhani's government has been holding talks with major powers in Vienna since April on bringing Washington back into the agreement.

But a deal now seems unlikely until after he hands over to President-elect Ebrahim Raisi early next month.

Raisi is an ultraconservative but has expressed support for the nuclear talks, arguing Iran needs an end to US sanctions.

Iran's ultraconservative camp, which deeply distrusts the United States, has repeatedly criticised Rouhani over the 2015 deal. Iran's supreme leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei said Wednesday that experience has shown "trusting the West does not work", referring to the US withdrawal from the deal and its fallout.

Raisi has said his government will support talks that "guarantee national interests", but will not allow negotiations for the sake of negotiations.

One of the major criticisms of the 2015 deal raised by Trump was its failure to address Iran's ballistic missile programme or its alleged interference in regional affairs.

But Tehran has always rejected bringing non-nuclear issues into the agreement, which is known formally as the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action.

Khamenei also criticised the US for refusing to "guarantee that (it) will not violate the agreement in the future" by pulling out unilaterally, as Trump did in 2018.

Trump's successor Joe Biden has signalled his readiness to return to the nuclear deal and has engaged in indirect negotiations with Iran alongside formal talks with the agreement's remaining parties, Britain, China, France, Germany and Russia.

Iran's chief negotiator Abbas Araghchi said this month that the talks must "await our new administration" as Tehran is "in a transition period". A sixth round of talks concluded on June 20 and dates for the next round have yet to be fixed.

Rouhani, in office since 2013 and preparing to leave after the maximum two consecutive terms, had repeatedly promised to secure relief from sanctions before the end of his term.

But earlier this month, he expressed hope that his successor can clinch a deal to lift sanctions, insisting that from his administration's side, "the work was ready" to be done. AFP

Flash flood kills 150 in northeastern Afghanistan

KABUL

FLASH flooding killed 150 people in a remote area in Afghanistan's mountainous northeastern Nuristan province controlled by the Taliban, a spokesman for the insurgents said on Thursday. The provincial government appealed to the Taliban to allow rescue teams into the area to help.

Taliban spokesman Zabihullah Mujahed said heavy rains late Wednesday caused the flash flooding. In a statement, Mujahid said the insurgents ordered their own rescue crews to the affected area. He also said the Taliban have also ordered that 5 million Afghanis, or about $62,000, be spent aiding the clean up and the villagers affected by the flooding.

However, it is unclear how equipped the Taliban are to deal with emergencies in areas under their control, which are mostly rural areas.

"We re calling on the public to offer as much help as they can to the affected people of Merdesh village," Mujahid said in the statement, adding that charitable organizations are also being asked to assist.

Reports reaching Parun, the Nuristan provincial capital, said water had inundated Merdesh.

The village is located in Nuristan's Kamdesh district, not far from the border with neighboring Pakistan. The provincial governor's spokesman, Mohammad Sayed Mohmand, said the flooding destroyed at least 100 homes. Mohmand said he had received reports of 60 dead but that the death toll is likely much higher.

Nuristan is a mountainous region and the Taliban control large swaths of the province. Mohmand said dozens of families fled the flooding to the neighbouring Kunar region. In the Afghan capital of Kabul, Ahmad Samim Azimi, spokesman for the disaster management ministry, said they have reports of at least 100 dead. The Nuristan government appealed to the Taliban to allow rescue teams into their area to offer help, he added.

For the past year, a resurgent Taliban have held sway over roughly half of Afghanistan.

ASIA MATTERS

Hospital set up at airport as cases surge

Bangkok: Health authorities in Thailand raced to set up a large field hospital in a cargo building at one of Bangkok's airports on Thursday as the country reported record numbers of coronavirus cases and deaths. Other field hospitals are already in use in the capital after it ran out of hospital facilities for thousands of infected residents. Workers rushed to finish the 1,800-bed hospital at Don Mueang International Airport, where beds made from cardboard box materials were laid out with mattresses and pillows. It is to be ready for patients in two weeks. The airport, a domestic and regional hub, has had little use because almost all domestic flights were canceled two weeks ago. The spread of the delta variant also led Cambodia to seal its border with Thailand. *AP*

Strong earthquake rocks northern region

Chiang Mai: A strong, shallow earthquake shook northern Myanmar on Thursday and was felt as far away as northern Thailand. The US Geological Survey said the magnitude 5.5 quake occurred north of Mandalay. It was centered 10km below the Earth's surface. Shallow earthquakes tend to cause more damage to structures on the surface. The shaking of the ground was 'very strong' and some injuries were possible. *AP*

Protester's lawyer asks for shorter term

Hong Kong: A lawyer for the first person convicted under Hong Kong's national security law asked Thursday for no more than 10 years in prison instead of the possible life sentence faced by the former restaurant waiter in a closely watched case as China's ruling Communist Party tries to crush a pro-democracy movement. Tong Ying-kit was convicted Tuesday of inciting secession and terrorism for driving his motorcycle into a group of police officers during a July 1, 2020, pro-democracy rally while carrying a flag bearing the banned slogan, 'Liberate Hong Kong, revolution of our times.' Tong, 24, will be sentenced Friday, the Hong Kong High Court announced. *AP*

Russia fines Google for law breach

MOSCOW

RUSSIA has fined Google over $40,000 for failing to store the data of Russian users on local servers, a court spokeswoman said on Thursday, the first time the tech giant has been fined for the offence.

The Russian government has been seeking to tighten control over the Russian segment of the web and develop a so-called "sovereign internet" and has said foreign technology companies must store Russian users' data in the country.

Moscow's Tagansky district court on Thursday found Google guilty of breaching data localisation laws and fined the company 3 million rubles ($41,000), a court spokeswoman told state news agency RIA Novosti. The maximum penalty is six million rubles.

This is the first time the US company has been penalised for breaching the controversial law passed in 2014 that requires the personal data of Russian users to be stored inside Russia.

Twitter and Facebook were fined last year for failing to comply while the networking website LinkedIn was blocked by Russia after it refused to move the data of Russian users. *AFP*

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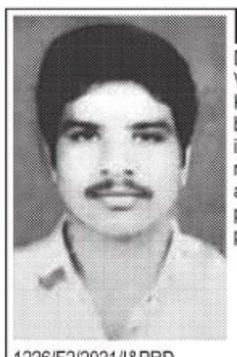

Devadas, age: 59, S/o Sreedharan, Sreevilasam Veedu, Meenathucherry, Sakthikulangara, Kollam, Kerala is missing from his house between 19/05/1991. In this connection a case in Crime No. 307/2021 U/s 57(A) of KP Act was registered at Sakthikulangara Police Station. If any information obtained regarding the above person, please inform to the below mentioned phone numbers.

Identification Marks:- 5" Height
Complexion: White, Medium Hair.
Phone:- Police Station - **0474 2770966**
Police Inspector - **9497947131**
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PUBLIC NOTICE

It is hereby informed to the public my client namely Savithramma W/o late Narasimhaiah Murthy and their children are the absolute owners of below mentioned schedule property, after the death of Narasimhaiah and if any persons having any objections raised regarding schedule property may send their objections with all supporting documents to the undersigned within 15 days from the date of this public notice, failing which my client proceed the further proceedings got the Khatha and sale deed from the Bangalore Development Authority.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of residential house site bearing Ward No.17, 4th Main, 11th Cross, West of Chord Road, measuring 30 X 45 sq.ft situated at Mahalakshmipuram, Bangalore and bounded on: East by : Site No.745, West by : Site No.746, North by : Road, South by Site No.747

P. V. Nataraj Gowda, Advocate,
No.122K, 1st Block, Rajajinagar,
Bangalore - 560010. Phone No.8184029274

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the General Pubic that Mr. PREM SAGAR DANDRE, aged about 47 years, Son of Mr.Narsaiah presently camping at Flat No.717, 7th Floor, Block C, "RADIANT JASMINE TERRACE Apartments". Shivanahalli Village, Jakkur Road, Raithara Santhe Road, Surabi Layout, Yelahanka, Bengaluru - 560 064 has lost/misplaced the below referred Original Sale Deed dated 31.10.2014, registered as Document No.YAN-1-05838-2014-15 of Book-1, in the Office of the Sub-Registrar, Yelahanka, Bangalore alongwith Sale Agreement and Construction Agreement pertaining to Apartment / Flat No.717, Seventh (7th) Floor, to the building "RADIANT JASMINE TERRACE", constructed on converted Sy.No24/1, situated at Shivanahalli Village, Jakkur Road, Yelahanka, Bangalore East Taluk and a police complaint is filed before Yelahanka Police Station to that effect.

Finder may return the below referred Original Deed and Document/s to the undersigned

(i) Sale Deed dated 31.10.2014, registered as Document No.YAN-1-05838-2014-15 of Book-1, (ii) Sale Agreement (iii) Construction Agreement.

If any person/institution has any claim or interest of any nature pertaining to aforesaid property and Sale Deed, the said claims alongwith supporting documents shall he filed with undersigned within 07 days from the date of publication of this Notice at the address mentioned below. Any claims raised thereafter shall not be entertained or binding.

P. MANJUNATH, Advocate
Office at No.24/10, First Floor, Haudin Road, Ulsoor, Bengaluru - 560 042.
Phone No: 080-48145789

PUBLIC NOTICE

My Client, **Dr. Rajasekhar M. R**, S/o. M. S. Ramakrishna, is the Managing Trustee of the 'ChARITI' Trust same was Registered on 10.05.2018, Vide Document No.JAY-4-00144-2018-19, C.D. No.JAYD339, Registered in the office of the Sub Registrar Jayanagar, Bengaluru,.

My Client calls upon me to notify the General Public that he has lost the Original Trust Deed Dated.10.05.2018, Document No.JAY-4-00144-2018-19, C.D. No.JAYD339, Registered in the office of the Sub Registrar Jayanagar, Bengaluru, While shifting office from Fourth Floor to second floor of premises bearing No.1635, 17th Main road, 2nd Phase, J.P. Nagar, Bengaluru - 560 078., has instituted a Police Complaint in this regard before the jurisdictional Police Station. Any person coming into custody of the said Original Trust Deed is hereby requested to hand over the same at the below mentioned address within seven days.

The general public is further cautioned not to misuse the said Original Trust Deed for any purpose whatsoever and in the event any person is found to be misusing the said Original Trust Deed shall be liable for prosecution at their own costs and risk and my Client shall not be liable for any loss or injury arising there from.

Notice Issued by:
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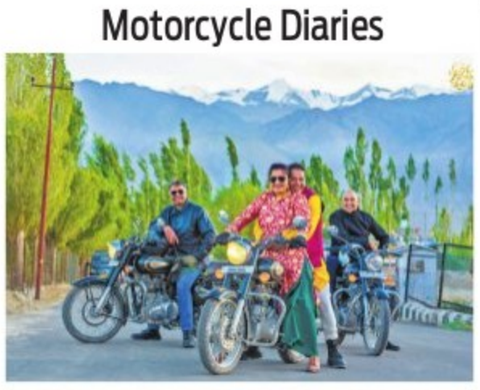

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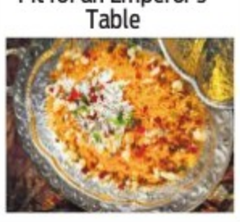

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ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ರಾಜ್ಯಪಾಲರ ಪರವಾಗಿ ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಇಂಜನೀಯರರು, ಗ್ರಾಮೀಣ ಕುಡಿಯುವ ನೀರು & ನೈರ್ಮಲ್ಯ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಧಾರವಾಡ ಇವರಿಂದ 2020-21 ನೇ ಸಾಲಿನ ಜೆ.ಜೆ.ಎಮ್. ಯೋಜನೆಯಡಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಅಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾದ ಐಟಂವಾರು ಟೆಂಡರನ್ನು ಇ-ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರಮೆಂಟ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ನಿಗದಿತ ನಮೂನೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ನೋಂದಾಯಿಸಲ್ಪಟ್ಟರುವ ಅರ್ಹ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರಿಂದ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕ ಸಂಗ್ರಹಣೆಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಪಾರದರ್ಶಕತೆ ಅದ್ಯಾದೇಶ 2000 ಹಾಗೂ Standard Document ನಂತೆ KW- 1 & KW-2, KW-3, KW-4 ತತ್ಸಂಬಂಧ ಕಾಲಕಾಲಕ್ಕೆ ಹೊರಡಿಸಲಾದ ತಿದ್ದುಪಡಿ ಆದೇಶಗಳನ್ವಯ ನಿಬಂಧನೆಗೆ ಒಳಪಟ್ಟು ಈ ಕೆಳಗಿನಂತೆ ಐಟಂವಾರು ಟೆಂಡರ ಕರೆಯಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಅರ್ಹ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರು ಇ-ಆಡಳಿತ ಕೇಂದ್ರ ಅಥವಾ ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್ www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in ನಲ್ಲಿ ಪ್ರಕಟಿಸಿದಂತೆ ದಿನಾಂಕ ಹಾಗೂ ಇನ್ನುಳಿದ ವಿವರಗಳನ್ನು ಖಚಿತಪಡಿಸಿಕೊಂಡು ಟೆಂಡರಗಾಗಿ ಭಾಗವಹಿಸಬಹುದು ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ವಿವರಗಳಿಗೆ ಈ ಕಚೇರಿಯಿಂದ ಕಚೇರಿ ವೇಳೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಮಾಹಿತಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದು.

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2) ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ : **16.08.2021 ಸಾಯಂಕಾಲ 4.30 ಘಂಟೆಗೆ**

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ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರ ಅರ್ಹತೆ: ಇ-ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಇದ್ದಂತೆ

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1	**Indent No:27560** Providing FHTC's to 457 Households in ANCHATGERI habitation of ANCHATGERI village, Hubballi taluk Dharwad district by Augmentation of SVS ANCHATGERI villages in Dharwad district (40 LPCD)	141.00	180 ದಿನಗಳು	ಸಾಮಾನ್ಯ
2	**Indent No: 30491** Providing FHTC's to 570 Households in KIRESUR habitation of KIRESURvillage, Hubballi taluk Dharwad district by Augmentation of SVS KIRESUR villages in Dharwad district (30.40 LPCD)	180.00	180 ದಿನಗಳು	ಸಾಮಾನ್ಯ

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TALIBAN EXECUTED DANISH SIDDIQUI, SAYS REPORT

WASHINGTON

PULITZER Prize-winning Indian photojournalist Danish Siddiqui was not simply killed in a crossfire in Afghanistan, nor was he simply collateral damage, but was "brutally murdered" by the Taliban after verifying his identity, according to a report published in a US-based magazine on Thursday.

Siddiqui, 38, was on assignment in Afghanistan when he died. According to the Washington Examiner report, Siddiqui travelled with an Afghan National Army team to the Spin Boldak region to cover fighting between Afghan forces and the Taliban to control the lucrative border crossing with Pakistan.

Danish Siddiqui

When they got to within one-third of a mile of the customs post, a Taliban attack split the team, with the commander and a few men separated from Siddiqui, who remained with three other Afghan troops.

During this assault, shrapnel hit Siddiqui, and so he and his team went to a local mosque where he received first aid.

As word spread, however, that a journalist was in the mosque, the Taliban attacked.

The local investigation suggests the Taliban attacked the mosque only because of 'journalist' Siddiqui's presence there, the report said.

"Siddiqui was alive when the Taliban captured him. The Taliban verified Siddiqui's identity and then executed him, as well as those with him. The commander and the remainder of his team died as they tried to rescue him," it said. *PTI*

Market Watch

MARKET			GOLD			SILVER			FOREX		
209.36 ▲	Sensex	52,653.07	₹59.7 ▲	24 carat (1 gm)	₹4,835.8	₹1,495 ▲	Per kg	₹67,881	▼ Dollar		74.29
69.05 ▲	Nifty	15,778.45	₹59.4 ▲	22 carat (1 gm)	₹4,816.4	₹1,496 ▲	Per gm	₹67,881	▲ Euro		88.20

GST rate rationalisation to happen soon: CEA

Says, govt is considering three-rate slab for the new tax regime; also bats for the need to fix inverted duty structure

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @New Delhi

CHIEF Economic Adviser (CEA) K V Subramanian on Thursday assured that government is considering rationalisation of GST to three rate slab structure and it is going to happen soon.

"The three-rate structure is something... definitely important and even the inverted duty structure (is) also equally important to actually fix. I think the government is definitely seized of the matter. So we should hopefully see traction on that soon," Subramanian said. He was speaking at a virtual event organised by industry body Assocham.

He also spoke of the need to fix inverted duty structure which had been postponed since last three GST council meetings.

At present GST has five rate structures—0.25%, 5%, 12%, 18% and 28%. There was long pending proposal to merge 12% and 18% slab and finally bringing down to three, suggested by former finance minister Arun Jaitley. However the government wanted to take more time to observe the revenue pattern before going for the overhaul.

Covid-19 also delayed many GST related reform like inverted duty structure and reducing of slabs, keeping in mind the uncertainty regarding revenue collection. This was strongly recommended by the 15th Finance Commission (FFC) also, in its latest report.

"Restoring revenue-neutral rate will mean merging the rates of 12% and 18% and operating with a three-rate structure of a merit rate, a standard rate and a demerit rate of around 28% to 30% and minimising (tax) exemptions," said the FFC report, which recommended the ways of sharing Centre's tax revenue with states for the period 2021-26.

Subramanian, however, defended the rationale behind going ahead with five slabs during launch of GST.

"The GST, the way it got created with actually five rates was basically excellent because now we are seeing the impact on GST's amounts that are coming in... the policymakers then must be given credit for actually being practical enough to say, let's get it going first," Subramanian said.

CCI to expedite all anti-trust probes against tech giants

BISMAH MALIK @Bengaluru

INDIA'S competition regulator will expedite its anti-trust probes against tech giants that have consolidated their market share since past several years.

A recently concluded study on digital economy of India has revealed that the big e-commerce companies have been leveraging the large data at their disposal for undue advantage to select sellers, have ownership/ tie-ups with third party labels being sold on their platforms and are stifling the competition, said Ashok Kumar Gupta, Chairman of the Competition Commission of India (CCI).

"Digital platforms leverage algorithms which may result in influencing inter brand, intra brand competition, favour their private label business. Such conduct may have impact on competition neutrality, loss of business to seller, increase in cost of sellers / smaller retailers who wish to increase the visibility on these marketplaces," Gupta said, while delivering a keynote address at the Initiative of Choice, Competition and Innovation(ICCI), organised by the Centre for the Digital Future on Thursday.

Influencing brands

"Digital platforms leverage algorithms which may result in influencing inter brand, intra brand competition, favour their private label business," says CCI Chairman Ashok Kumar Gupta

The CCI Chief said that the control of exclusionary data by the companies has also been included under competition reviews.

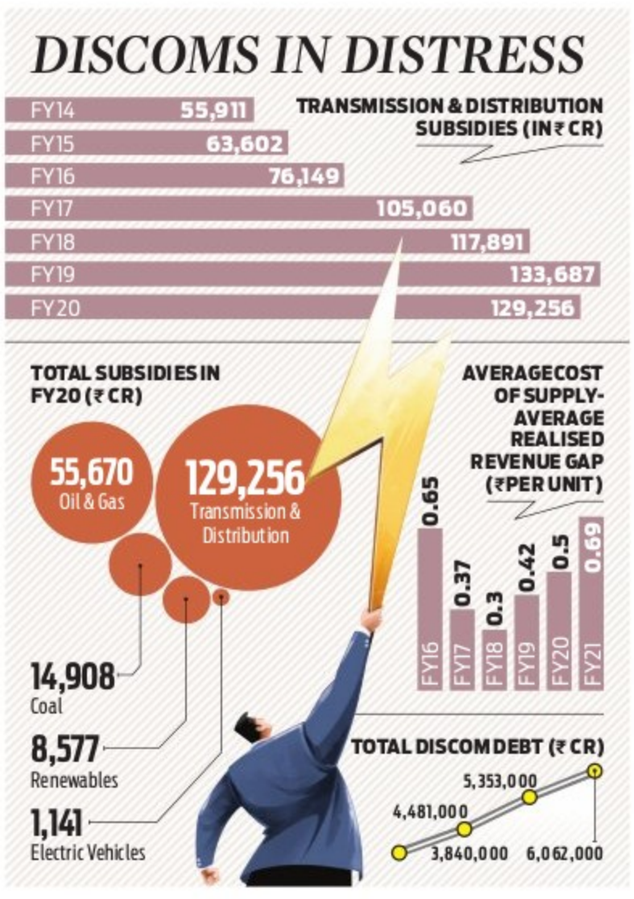
The fresh criticism comes on the heels of a prolonged legal tussle between the e-tailers like Amazon and Walmart owned Flipkart which have told the Supreme Court in their filings that they should restrain the watchdog from seeking sensitive business information from the companies during the ongoing enquiries. The e-marketplaces' recent pleas for quashing the CCI probe were rejected by the Karnataka High Court last week.

Gupta said that CCI is committed to complete all the ongoing investigations in a speedily manner and impressed upon the implementation of the competition laws, will create a level-playing field for all the market players.

"Digital platforms, app stores, e-commerce companies control bottomline infrastructure on the internet. Both supply and demand side depend on these platforms putting them at a huge advantage with unequal bargaining power. CCI will address these concerns," the top government official noted.

ROLLING OUT DBT FOR POWER SUBSIDY MAY NOT BE EASY

JONATHAN ANANDA @Chennai



INDIA'S electricity distribution sector is in tatters. Its total debt is estimated to have breached the ₹5 lakh-crore mark in FY20 and is expected to cross ₹6 lakh crore in the current financial year, while high aggregate technical & commercial losses (AT&C) — basically unpaid bills and power theft-have only served to pile on to the misery.

Industry executives and analysts have long opined that sweeping structural reforms were needed to revitalise the sector. The Union government's proposed Electricity (Amendment) Bill, listed for the current monsoon session of Parliament, tries to do the same.

The reforms laid down in the Bill include changes in tariff-setting and subsidy delivery systems. Many of these are structural changes - such as changes proposed in the regulatory structure. But the one to have maximum impact on end-consumers is the introduction of the Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) system for power subsidies.

Under the proposed system, consumers will have to pay the unsubsidised bill to discoms and state governments are required to pay subsidies directly to the consumer.

At present, states provide a wide range of subsidies to consumers, almost all of which fall in the agricultural and below poverty line (BPL) segments. End-consumer tariffs are decided by state commissions after accounting for subsidies offered by the respective state, which means that the beneficiary of a free power scheme has to pay nil out of his own pocket.

Debilitating burden

The present system may be advantageous to consumers, but has been rather destructive for discoms. Because while the Electricity Act 2003 stipulates that state governments have to pay subsidies to discoms in advance, delayed payments are among the biggest financial burdens for the sector.

The International Institute for Sustainable Development (IISD) and Council on Energy, Environment and Water (CEEW) in a recent report noted that "in every year from FY16 to FY19, at least seven subsidising states and UTs had not paid discoms all transfers for subsidies by the end of the financial year".

The current regulations provide for measures to prevent such delays, but are often ignored in practice. For instance, the report notes that not only are state governments supposed to pay discoms in advance, in case of delays, "discoms are to levy the tariff rates from the initial tariff schedule that does not consider the subsidy amount".

Another problem for discoms is the lack of proper subsidy targeting in the current system, leading to generally inflated subsidy costs.

"A lack of effective targeting, coupled with no upper-limit for subsidized consumption, could be disastrous for discom finances," the IISD-CEEW report added.

The move to a Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) system is aimed at addressing both these problems-inflated subsidy costs due to poor targeting and the financial impact of subsidy payment delays by state governments.

Implementation challenges

The myriad socio-economic complexities of India's subsidy system would make rolling out the DBT system a very difficult task.

The lack of proper information on subsidy beneficiaries, which works to inflate subsidy payouts, will also make it difficult to route subsidies to the truly eligible.

The Center for Study of Science, Technology and Policy (CSTEP) recommends certain pre-requisites such as validating authorised and unauthorised IP connections; awareness programmes for farmers on the benefits of metering; and state subsidy for installing meters.

According to IISD-CEEW, at an aggregate level, agriculture consumers were allotted 75% of the total subsidy value, but such connections are unmetered in most states.

The proposed shift to DBT has also raised fears among consumers that their power costs will soar if the state governments fail to deposit subsidies on time. This led Union power minister R K Singh to clarify after the draft was released last year that the electricity supply will not be discontinued even if the state is unable to pay on time.

But some states and discoms have problems with the policy. Tamil Nadu Chief Minister had written to the Union power minister last year asking that its scheme for free power to farmers be kept out of the DBT scheme.

In a conference organised by Care Ratings, discom executives from BSES Rajdhani and Gujarat Urja Vikas Nigam had also noted that "though the intent is right, there will be operational challenges".

Speaking to this publication, a state discom official said, "identifying and validating beneficiaries will be tough and will take time", and that there was no guarantee that DBT payments will be used to pay power bills, which would lead to a whole different problem.

Air India raised ₹738 cr in 6 years via real estate sale

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @New Delhi

National carrier Air India (AIL), which is soon to be privatised, has raised ₹738 crore from the sale of its real estate assets since 2015, and earned rental income of about ₹100 crore annually from its properties, Minister of State for Civil Aviation VK Singh told the Lok Sabha on Thursday.

Singh, in a written reply, said that Air India has sold 115 units of real estate assets from 2015 till July 12, 2021. "AIL has identified 111 parcels of properties for monetisation out of which 106 parcels of properties are in India and rest five are overseas properties... The 111 parcels of properties consist of 211 units which are under monetisation," the minister said.

Air India has been monetising its immovable assets to offset its massive debt of around ₹ 60,000 crore.

Last month, a public notice was issued inviting e-auction bids for sale of Air India properties located across India. The property included residential as well as commercial units is prime cities such as Delhi, Mumbai and Kolkata.

The divestment-bound airline was looking to raise ₹200 to 300 crore by selling these real estate assets.

Earlier this month, Singh had informed that financial bids for Air India are likely to be received from qualified interested bidders (QIBs) by September 15 this year. Without disclosing details of the QIBs, Singh had reiterated that the government has received "multiple" expressions of interest for Air India's privatisation.

PROFIT AT ₹5.65 CR

Olectra Greentech revenue jumps 86% in June qrtr

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @New Delhi

HYDERABAD-BASED manufacturer of electric buses Olectra Greentech Limited (OGL) has reported a profit of ₹5.65 crore in the April-June quarter of 2021-22 compared to ₹3.26 crore losses reported in the corresponding period last year. The company had reported a profit of ₹2.03 crore in the fourth quarter of 2020-21.

The turnaround in the company was on possible on the back of an 86% increase in revenue to ₹41.15 crore in the April-June quarter against ₹22.15 crore in the previous quarter last year.

The strong topline growth was due to sale of 11 electric buses in the first quarter of the current financial year against zero sales in the same period last year. The company also reported higher operating income during the first quarter from its Pune Bus Operations.

The company also has a healthy order book for 1,325 e-buses out of which 87 buses are already delivered. For another 300 e-buses, the company has been declared as least quoted bidder and expecting award.

Meanwhile, the Board of Directors in a meeting held on Thursday appointed Venkateswara Pradeep Karumuru, a non-executive director of the company, as Managing Director for three years.

Airtel, Vi see massive exit of subscribers in May; Jio gains

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @Chennai

BOTH Bharti Airtel and Vodafone Idea registered a massive fall in their net subscriber counts at the end of May, according to data from the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) released on Thursday. However, in stark contrast, rival Reliance Jio continued to add to its subscriber base during the month.

Data shows that for the first time since June 2020, Bharti Airtel recorded a net loss of wireless subscribers in May, losing a staggering 46.13 lakh net users. Vodafone Idea, which has been struggling with serious financial difficulties, also lost a net 42.81 lakh mobile users, while BSNL lost 9.3 lakh. It is to be noted that most of India had been facing stringent lockdowns during late April and the whole of May due to the second Covid wave.

However, Reliance Jio, which had recovered its user addition momentum early this year, recorded a net wireless subscriber addition of 35.54 lakh. In total, across telecos, India's wireless subscriber base recorded a net loss of 62.74 lakh in May.

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LIC Housing Finance net profit drops 81%

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LIC Housing Finance's June quarter performance is indicative of the prolonged pain in the real estate sector due to the pandemic even as the company is battling increasing stress on its books.

The housing finance company has reported a massive 81.2% drop in net profit to ₹153.44 crore in the quarter ended June 30, 2021 on higher provisions as delinquencies increased on developer loans.

Its provisions for expected credit losses stood at ₹4,727 crore as on June 30, up 77% from ₹2,669 crore a year ago. The weakest part of the loan book remains the developer loans portfolio which grew by just 6.55% y-o-y.

For LIC Housing Finance, the share of developer loans stood at 6.7% as of June, lower than 7% last year as the lender has turned cautious on these loans over the past few quarters. The individual loan portfolio, on the other hand, stood at ₹2.17 lakh crore as against ₹1.95 lakh crore, showcasing a growth of 11%. Of the individual loans, the home loan portfolio registered a growth of 13%. Total loan portfolio stood at ₹2.32 lakh crore, up 11% year-on-year, the company said.

COLGATE-PALMOLIVE Q1 PROFIT RISES 18%

FMCG major Colgate-Palmolive India Ltd (CPIL) on Thursday reported a 18% increase in net profit at `233.2 crore for the quarter ended June 30, 2021. The company had posted net profit of `198.1 crore in the April-June quarter last fiscal.

TVS CONSOLIDATED LOSS AT ₹15 CR IN Q1

Chennai-based TVS Motor Company on Thursday reported standalone profit of ₹53 crore in the June quarter as against loss of ₹139 crore in the same quarter previous year. On a consolidated basis, TVS reported a loss of ₹15 crore in Q1FY22.

Business & Beyond

GRSE celebrates 2nd phase of India @75

Encouraging active MSME participation in the government's Aatmanirbhar Abhiyaan, Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers (GRSE), a Mini Ratna defence PSU, celebrated the second phase of India @ 75 from July 16 to Jul 22, 2021. The first phase ocelebration was observed by GRSE from Apr 23 to Apr 28.

Uco Bank net profit up 374% to 101.81 cr

Uco Bank has made net profit of ₹101.81 crore during the quarter ended June 2021 as against net profit of ₹21.46 crore in the quarter ended June 2020, a growth of 374.42%. Operating profit of the bank for the quarter June 2021 stood at ₹1286.28 crore as against ₹977.08 crore for the quarter ended June 2020, up 31.65%.

Karnataka Bank Q1 net profit up at ₹1.6.08 cr

Karnataka Bank has posted a net profit of ₹106.08 crore during Q1 of FY22 as against ₹31.36 crore recorded during the sequential previous quarter i.e, Q4 FY21. Hence, sequentially on a quarter on quarter basis it was higher by 238.26% over the 4th quarter ended March 2021. However, on year-on-year basis the profit declined by 45.98%, mainly on account of decreased treasury income.

South Eastern Railway transports 200 tonnes of medical oxygen to Bangladesh

In order to meet the growing demand of oxygen, South Eastern Railway has been running Oxygen Express trains since April 23, 2021 to different parts of the country. On July 24, for the first time, an Oxygen Express train has been sent to Benapole in Bangladesh from Tatanagar in Chakradharpur Division.

CLW produces 100th electric locomotive

Chittaranjan Locomotive Works (CLW) produces 100 electric locomotives in 81 working days up to July 26 of the current financial year. Satish Kumar Kashyup, General Manager/CLW flagged off the 100th loco from CLW on July 26. Senior officers and staff were present during flagging off ceremony with all the laid down Covid protocols and with proper social distancing norms.

Fermenta Biotech awarded best workplace in biotechnology and pharmaceuticals

Fermenta Biotech Limited ('Fermenta') on July 28 announced its recognition as one of India's best workplaces in biotechnology & pharmaceuticals for the year 2021. After undergoing a rigorous evaluation of the quality of its employee experience and people practices, the company has emerged as one among just eight organizations in India to be recognized as the best places to work in its industry.

KARNATAKA STATE ELECTRONICS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION LIMITED

KEONICS ISO 9001 : 2008

(A Government of Karnataka Enterprise)
2nd Floor, A Block, BMTC Complex, Shanthinagar, KH Road, BANGALORE- 560027. FAX:080-22232652, 080-22225645

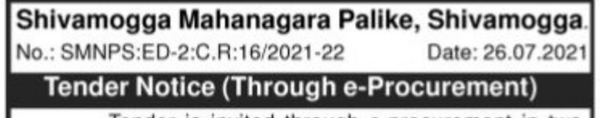
SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through electronic tendering mode only)

Director-operations, KEONICS invites the Tenders from eligible Medical Insurance Firms / Agencies for **"Group Medical Insurance for KEONICS Employees & Officers"**
The Bid should be submitted on e-procurement portal, financial bids shall be opened for approved vendors.
Further details can be obtained from web site – **www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in** or in person from the undersigned.
Last Date for submission of Tender: **11.08.2021 up to 14:00 Hrs.** Date of opening of Technical Bid: **13-08-2021 at 14:30 Hrs.** Date of Opening of Commercial Bid: **16-08-2021 at 15:00 Hrs.** Contact Person: **R. Krishnamurthy, Designation: Manager -Technical, Mobile No: 9731560741.**

Sd/-
DIRECTOR (OPERATIONS)

DIPR/DDU/Zen/R.O:982/2021-22

HAVE SYMPTOMS OF COVID-19? CALL APTHAMITRA ON 14410



KARNATAKA NEERAVARI NIGAM LIMITED

(A Government of Karnataka Enterprises)
Office of the Executive Engineer,
KNNL GRBCC Div No 3 Gokak Ph No : 08332-225213

No. KNNL/GRBCCD-3/DB/ MLIS FIC/Tender/2021-22/768 Dt :- 28-07-2021.

SHORT TERM PERCENTAGE BASED TENDER NOTIFICATION (Through E-Procurement only)

On behalf of the Managing Director Karnataka Neeravari Nigama Limited, Bangalore, the Executive Engineer, KNNL, GRBCC DIVISION NO-3 Gokak, Belagavi District in Karnataka State invites tenders on Percentage basis on e-procurement portal for the (1) Murgod LIS F.I.C. Works of Reserved for Schedule Caste/Schedule Tribes (19) Amount Put to Tender (Approximately): Rs: 05-04 to Rs.21.80 lakhs (Indent No. 31457, 31458, 31459, 31460, 31461, 31462, 31463, 31465, 31466, 31467, 31468, 31469, 31470, 31471, 31472, 31473, 31474, 31475,31476) (2) Package Works of (07) Amount Put to Tender (Approximately): Rs: 107.60 to Rs. 135.80 lakhs (Indent No 31485,31486,31487,31488,31489,31492,31494)

The Contractor can have access to the e-tender document, i.e. the Tender schedules, bid documents and other documents in the web site http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in on payment of transaction fee (non- refundable) The submission of completed tender documents through e-portal from Dt: 30-07-2021 to 06-08-2021 upto 4.00 PM. Further informations can be had from the Office of the Executive Engineer, KNNL GRBCC DIVISION NO-3, Gokak, Belagavi District during office hours. Phone No : 08332-225213 & e-mail Id:knnlgrbccd3.gokak@gmail.com. Corrigendum /Addendum or any modifications of this tender will be published in the web site of e-procurement only No news paper publication.

Sd/-Executive Engineer,
KNNL,GRBCC Division No.3, Gokak

DIPR/BGM/RO-NO-547/MCA/2021-22

Shivamogga Mahanagara Palike, Shivamogga.

No.: SMNPS:ED-2:C.R:16/2021-22 Date: 26.07.2021

Tender Notice (Through e-Procurement)

Tender is invited through e-procurement in two covers as per Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement Act 1999-2000 and rules 2000, subject to Standard Tender Document Rules for undertaking the works mentioned below coming in the limits of Shivamogga Mahanagara Palike. Contractors interested in participating in the e-procurement tender can obtain the details from website www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in

1. Last date for submitting application online through e-payment for e-procurement forms: 11.08.2021 (Up To 4.30 PM) 2. Date of opening tender technical bid through e-procurement: 12.08.2021 (After 4.31 PM) 3. Date of opening tender financial bid through e-procurement: 16.08.2021 (After 11.30 AM) 4. Date of pre-bid meeting: 07.08.2021 (At 4.30 PM) 5. Further details can be obtained from e-portal and other details can be obtained during office hours. 6. Period for completion of work: 18 months (including rainy season) 7. Grant: Enterprises Grant

Sl.No. 1. Indent Number: 117614 **Name of Work:** Construction work of Commercial Building being built by the Palike at the Santhe Grounds of Ward No. 27 in the limits of the Palike **Approx. Amount (Rs. In lakhs):** 200.00 **E.M.D. (in Rs.):** 3,00,000.00 **Class of Contractor:** Class 2 and above **Grant:** Enterprises Grant of the Palike

Sl.No. 2. Indent Number: 114795/CALL-2 **Name of Work:** Construction work of Commercial Building being built by the Palike at the Santhe Grounds of Ward No. 28 in the limits of the Palike **Approx. Amount (Rs. In lakhs):** 125.00 **E.M.D. (in Rs.):** 1,87,500.00 **Class of Contractor:** Class 3 and above **Grant:** Enterprises Grant of the Palike

Note: Any Changes or corrections related to the tender will be intimated through e-portal.

Sd/- Executive Engineer (Division-2),
Mahanagara Palike, Shivamogga

DIPR/smg/No.144/07/mca/21-22

यूनियन बैंक Union Bank of India

Mathikere Branch
(Erstwhile Andhra Bank),
No 21, MSRE Road,
Mathikere, Bangalore.

Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Property

E-Auction Sale Notice for 15 days Sale of immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rule, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Union Bank of India (secured Creditor) will be sold on **" As is where is", " As is what is " and " whatever there is"** on the date mentioned below, for recovery of dues as mentioned hereunder to Union bank of India from the below mentioned Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s). The Reserve Price and the Earnest Money Deposit are also mentioned hereunder:

Name and address of the Secured Creditor : Union Bank of India, Bengaluru –Mathikere Branch (erstwhile Andhra Bank), No 21, MSRE Road, Mathikere, Bangalore.
Name and address of the Borrower, Co-Applicant and Guarantor: 1) Mrs Indira T, No 35, Opp BHEL Main Gate Flower Garden, Mysore Road, Bangalore 560056. **Mr. Ramesh.M,** No 35, Opp BHEL Main Gate Flower Garden, Mysore Road, Bangalore 560056.

Amount due: Rs.3,59,63,127.64 plus interest and charges (up to **30.06.2021**)
Description of immovable secured assets to be Sold: All that piece and parcel of the property consisting of Residential Building at Siteno.01A, Sy no.95/10&94/2, Khata No.95/10/94/2, 1st Main Road, Near Jnana Mandir School, Adj : NGEF Layout, Mallathalli, Yeswanthpura Hobli, Bangalore-560079, Karnataka, India having extent of site 3500 sft with East to West : 35 ft and North to South: 100 ft and bounded by: On the North : 40 ft Road, On the South : Private Property, On the East : NGEF Layout, On the West : Passage.

Date and time of E-Auction: 18-08-2021 between 11 am to 2 pm (with 10 min unlimited auto extensions) E-auction website-www.mstcecommerce.com
Last date for submission of EMD : 18-08-2021
Reserve price: Rs. 2,17,00,000/-
Earnest Money to be Deposited: Rs.21,70,000

For Detailed terms and condition of the sale, please refer to the link provided in **(1) https://www.ibapi.in (2) www.unionbankofindia.co.in**
The intending purchaser require to register through :
https://www.mstcecommerce.com/auctionhome/ibapi/index.jsp
The online E-auction will be held through website: **sarfaesi@unionbankofindia.com.**
For E-auction Related queries Please contact at Branch Manager Mr. Uday Prathap Singh on Mobile +91- 8979507566.

Place: Bengaluru
Date: 29.07.2021

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Union Bank of India.

SHRIRAM HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED

SHRIRAM HOUSING FINANCE

Reg.Off.: Office No.123, Angappa Naicken Street, Chennai-600001 **Head Off.:** Level 3, Wockhardt Towers, East Wing C-2 Block, Bandra Kurla Complex, Bandra (E), Mumbai 400051.Tel: 022 4241 0400, 4060 3100 **Website:** www.shriramhousing.in

SYMBOLIC POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas the undersigned being the authorised officer of Shriram Housing Finance Limited (SHFL) under the provisions of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (said Act) and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) of the said Act read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 (said Rules) issued demand notices to the Borrowers details of which are mentioned in the table below to repay the amount mentioned in the said demand notices.
The Borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of SHFL has taken the Symbolic possession of the mortgaged property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with rule 8 of the said Rules, on this **27th day of July, 2021.**

Borrower Name and address	Amount due as per Demand Notice	Description of Property
MR. NARAYANA T & MRS. RUKMANI M, R/at. No. 17, 38th Main, 1st Cross, Rose Garden, J P Nagar 6th Phase, Behind M I P Apartments, Bangalore – 560 078 **Also At: Narayana T, Transport & Travels, No. 17, Site No. 33, 38th Main, 1st Cross, Rose Garden, J P Nagar 6th Phase, Behind M I P Apartments, Bangalore – 560 078.** **Also At: Site No. 33, Property No. 46/3, Khatha No. 277, Sarakki Village, Uttarhalli Hobli, Bangalore – 560 078** **Also At: Rukmani M, Sodexo Facilities Management Services India Pvt Ltd., Working As Associate Pantry, No. 110/1, M Krishnappa Layout, Lalbagh Road, Bangalore – 560 027**	Rs. 18,99,050/- (Rupees Eighteen Lakh Ninety Nine Thousand and Fifty Only) in respect of Loan Account No. SLPHBGLR0001029 as on 13.05.2021 with further interest at the contractual rate, within 60 days from the receipt of said notice. Notice dated: 18.05.2021	All that piece and parcel of Property bearing Site No. 33, Property No. 46/3, Khatha No. 277, measuring East to West 30 Ft and North to South 35 Ft, Situated at Sarakki Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk and bounded on: East By: Site No. 30. West By: Others Site. North By: Site No. 32. South By: 20 Feet Road

This notice is also hereby to caution the general public at large that the authorized officer of SHFL is in the lawful Symbolic Possession of the immovable property mentioned herein above and the Borrowers or any person shall not after receipt of this notice transfer by way of sale, lease or otherwise deal with/ alienate any of the above mentioned secured assets referred to in this notice, without prior written consent of SHFL.

Place: Bangalore
Date : 27.07.2021

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Shriram Housing Finance Limited

QuoteExpress **IF YOU'RE GOING THROUGH HELL, KEEP GOING** › WINSTON CHURCHILL

MALABAR CANCER CENTRE

NABH Accredited (an autonomous centre under Government of Kerala
Thalassery, Kannur Dist., Kerala - 670 103, Phone :+91 490 2399257,2399244, 2355881
Fax: 91 490 2355880, Email: mcctly@gmail.com, Web: www.mcc.kerala.gov.in

MCC/245/2021-P1-GAD **EXPRESSION OF INTEREST** 22/07/2021

Malabar Cancer Centre (MCC), Thalassery invites Expression of Interest (EOI) from reputed organizations/ manufacturers for supplying **Expandable/Modular Prosthesis** in Malabar Cancer Centre, Thalassery. Last date of submission of EOI is on **17/08/2021 at 4.30 PM**. For details please visit our website or contact our Purchase division. Sd/-DIRECTOR

NAGPUR HOUSING AND AREA DEVELOPMENT BOARD, NAGPUR

म्हाडा MHADA
(REGIONAL UNIT OF MHADA)

TENDER CANCELLATION NOTICE

Please refer Tender Reference Number **E-Tender Notice No. 2021_MHADA_701897_1** published on **Dt. 06/07/2021** for **"Construction of Proposed Administrative Office Building For Nagpur Housing and Area Development Board at Kh.No. 12/1, Mouza Gadga, Civil Lines, Nagpur."**
The above tender is being cancelled.

Executive Engineer - II
Nagpur Housing and Area Development Board, Nagpur

The Brihanmumbai Electric Supply & Transport Undertaking

BEST (OF THE BRIHANMUMBAI MUNICIPAL CORPORATION) BEST

TENDER NOTICE

e-tender is invited for the supply of following item.
(1) Service Provider for NCMC Compliant Digital Tickets Solutions for the BEST Undertaking

RE-INVITED E-TENDERS

(2) 69032, (3) 70854, (4) 71139,

Note : For more details, log on to website **https://mahatenders.gov.in.**
PRO/AAM(M)/48/2021 **GENERAL MANAGER**

PSPCL Punjab State Power Corporation Limited

Regd. Office: PSEB Head Office, The Mall, Patiala-147001
Corporate Identification No. : U40109PB2010SGC033813, Website : www.pspcl.in
Contact No. 96461-18773

Tender Enquiry No Q-4000/21-22/PO-T/CE-MM

Chief Purchase Officer/MM, Central Purchase Organization, PSPCL, 2nd Floor, Multistorey Building, The Mall, PSPCL invites E-Tender of 8,200 Nos. EEL-3 (Re-designated as EEL-2) ISI Marked Three Phase, 100 KVA, oil immersed CRGO/Amrophous core, Aluminium wound, distribution transformers complete with fittings as per PSPCL specification & conforming to IS 1180 Part-1 (2014) & IS 2026 (with latest amendments). For detailed NIT & tender specification please refer to **https://eproc.punjab.gov.in from 30.07.2021 onwards.**

Note: Corrigendum and addendum, if any will be published online at **https://eproc.punjab.gov.in**

348/C-281-21-7/29/2021
76155/12/375/2021/6335

The Kerala Minerals and Metals Ltd.

KMML *(A Govt. of Kerala Undertaking)*
(An ISO 9001, ISO 14001, OHSAS 18001 & SA 8000 Certified Company)
SANKARAMANGALAM, CHAVARA - 691 583
KOLLAM, KERALA, INDIA.
Phone: +91 476 2651215 to 2651217, Fax: +91 0476 2680101, 2686721
E-mail: contact@kmml.com, URL www.kmml.com

TENDER NOTICE

Competitive Tenders are invited for the following. For more details please visit the E-Tendering Portal **https://etenders.kerala.gov.in or www.kmml.com**

No.	Tender ID	Items
1	2021_KMML_431451_1	Work of site clearance, de-watering the mining pit & mining the inland deposits to the south of old PCP I at Ponmana

Any Amendment/Corrigendum for the above tenders shall be notified through above web site & Company's website only.

Chavara
29.07.2021
sd/-, HOD (MS)
For the Kerala Minerals and Metals Ltd

2	2021_KMML_432116_1	Providing Architecture and structural design consultancy for the proposed new canteen building.

Chavara
29.07.2021
sd/-, HOU (T)
For the Kerala Minerals and Metals Ltd

Our products: Titanium Dioxide, Titanium Tetra Chloride, Nano Titanium, Titanium Sponge, Rutile, Zircon & Sillimanite

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA

THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT DIVISION, VIJAYAPUR.

I.F.T.No:EE/PWD/VJP/PB/8443/2021-22/1153 Dated:28.07.2021

SHORT TERM CORRIGENDUM NOTIFICATION
(E-Procurement)

Ref:-This office Short term tender extension and corrigendum notification IFT No. EE/PWD/VJP/PB/8443/2021-22/1091 dt: 26-07-2021.
Tenders were invited for the work of Construction of Airport for ATR-72-600-Aircraft for Day VFR Operation in Vijayapur City. (Phase-2) (Indent No. 137623) vide reference above where in it is mentioned as "Executive Engineer, Public Works Dept. Division,Vijayapur Invites tenders from eligible tenderers (registered in Public Works Department)". The phraise contained in the bracket may be ignored and same may be read **"Executive Engineer, Public Works Dept. Division,Vijayapur Invites tenders from eligible tenderers.**
Other conditions remain unchanged.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, PWD Division, Vijayapur

DIPR/VIJAYAPUR/188/MCA/2021-22

CLASSIFIEDS

PUBLIC NOTICE

CHANGE OF NAME

CHANGE OF NAME
I, SARASWATHI, spouse of No.658439s Ex Sgt.Harishankar Malliah Naidu, aged about 52 years resident of #1144, Sir M. Vishweshwariah layout, 8th block, Gidadakonenahalli, Vishwaneedham post, Bengaluru-560091 have changed my name from **SARASWATHI** to **SARASWATHI.H,** vide affidavit dated 28.07.2021 sworn before Notary H.R.Karunakar, Bengaluru

AFFIDAVIT
I, **Sri RAMAKRISHNA** S/o Chikkaadiyappa, aged about 55 years, R/a No. 3, 4th Main, Near Police Quarters, Manasa Layout, Kengeri Upanagar, Bengaluru-560060, do hereby declare that my actual name is **RAMAKRISHNA,** in my Aadhaar Card my name is mentioned as **RAMAKRISHNA,** in my Property documents my name is mentioned as **K.C. RAMAKRISHNA** and in my Bank Account my name is mentioned as **RAMAKRISHNA .K.C,** all the names i.e., **RAMAKRISHNA, K.C. RAMAKRISHNA** and **RAMAKRISHNA .K.C** are one and the same and belongs to me only, vide affidavit 29-07-2021, sworn before Advocate and Notary **N. NAGAPPA** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I **Smt. Sunitabai Bhat**, Residing at #706, 'A' Block, 6th floor, Ramanuja Enclave, Kodipalya Road, Near DS Max Kengeri, Bangalore-560060. have changed my name from Sunitabai Bhat to **SUNITA KAMAT.** vide affidavit dated on : 17.07.2021. Sworn before the notary : G.Dayananda.

DECLARATION
I, SERVICE NO 15322037M HAV SASI KUMAR .N. UNIT: CIW, DEPOT BN. MEG & CENTRE, Bangalore, have changed my wife name **V. VIJAYA LAKSHMI** DOB from **26.10.1982** to **05.06.1983** vide affidavit Dated 26.07.2021 Sworn Before Notary Meer Hassan Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **KUSHALGOWDA B.A.,** S/o Sri Amarnarayana, aged about 28 years, R/a No. 438, Baglur, Near Union Bank of India, Jala Hobli, Bengaluru North, Bengaluru-562149, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **KUSHALGOWDA B.A.** to **A. HITARTH VEDANTH,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **A. HITARTH VEDANTH** only, vide affidavit dated 16-04-2021, sworn before Advocate and Notary **A. PRABHAKAR** at Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT
I, **SHASHI KUMAR .N,** S/o Late Narasaiah, aged about 37 years, R/a Neethimangala Village, Haralahalli Post, K.R. Pet Taluk, Mandya District, today at Bangalore do hereby declare that my wife's correct name is **SHASHIKALA .M.B** but in my Army records my wife name is mentioned as **SHASHIKALA** instead of **SHASHIKALA .M.B,** and her date of birth is **09-12-1986** instead of **12-12-1986** in the Army records, vide affidavit dated 29-07-2021, sworn before Advocate and Notary **N. NAGAPPA** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, ASHOK.K.S., S/o, K.B.Shanappa, Resident Of No.283, 6th B Main Road, HMT Layout, R.T.Nagar, Bengaluru-560032, Karnataka, India, have changed my name from **ASHOK** to **ASHOK.K.S.,** vide affidavit dated:29-7-2021, sworn before Notary Public, G.P.Chaya, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, YogeshKumar Vasantlal Patel, aged about 41 years, S/o. Mr. Vasantlal Joitaram Patel, R/at Flat No. W-208, Windsor Four Seasons Apartment, Behind Meenakshi Temple, Bannerghatta Road, Bengaluru, Karnataka 560076. I have changed my minor son's name from **'PATEL DEVAM YOGESH'** to **'DEVAM YOGESHKUMAR PATEL'.** Vide affidavit dated 27.07.2021, Sworn before Advocate & Notary Jain Swarnamala, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **KOWSHALGOWDA B.A.,** S/o Sri Amarnarayana, aged about 29 years, R/a No. 438, Baglur, Near Union Bank of India, Jala Hobli, Bengaluru North, Bengaluru-562149, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **KOWSHALGOWDA B.A.** to **A. HRISHANTHI SUKEERTHI,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **A. HRISHANTHI SUKEERTHI** only, vide affidavit dated 16-04-2021, sworn before Advocate and Notary **A. PRABHAKAR** at Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT
I, **NAGESH RAO @ RAGHAVENDRA RAO,** S/o Sri Krishnoji Rao, aged about 49 years, R/a No. 03, Rajini Farm Road, Rajagopal Nagar, Laggere, Near Muneshwara Temple, Bangalore-560058, do hereby declare that both the names i.e., **NAGESH RAO** and **RAGHAVENDRA RAO** are one and the same and belongs to me only, vide affidavit dated 28-07-2021, sworn before Advocate and Notary **PUTTARAMAIAH** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, PALLAVI DARSI, W/o, Venkata Murali Mohan Darsi, Resident of, Flat No.004, Yugal Paradise, No.25/3, Best County-2, Near Sambhram College, Chikkabettahalli, Vidyaranyapura, Bengaluru-560097, Karnataka, India, have changed my name from **D.HANUMAN VENKATA KASI PALLAVI** alias **HANUMAN VENKATA KASI PALLAVI DARSI** to **PALLAVI DARSI,** vide affidavit dated:29-7-2021, sworn before Notary Public, G.P.Chaya, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, Harshith Kumar V, S/o. Vasudevan G.A, R/at No.30, Residency Road, Bangalore North, Museum Road, Bangalore - 560025. I further declare that in my SSLC and PUC marks card my father name is wrongly mentioned as **Vasudavan G A instead of Vasudevan G A.** Vide affidavit dated 24.12.2020, Sworn before Advocate & Notary L.Gopalakrishna, Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT
I, **GEETHASHRI .R RAO,** D/o Late Ramachandra Rao .K, aged about 40 years, R/a Flat No. 202, 2nd Floor, Chaithram Apartments, T.C. Palya, K.R. Puram, Bangalore-560036, do hereby declare that my correct name is **GEETHASHRI .R RAO** but in my expired passport my name is mentioned as **GEETHASHRI ULLAS BABU PANJIKUNNEL,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **GEETHASHRI .R RAO** only for future purposes, vide affidavit dated 28-07-2021, sworn before Advocate and Notary **K. MOHAN** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **NEHAL AHMED DELVI,** aged about 22 years, S/o Noorul Hassain Delvi, R/o No. P110, MKK Road, Srirampura, Bangalore-560021, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **NIHAL AHMED DELVI** to **NEHAL AHMED DELVI,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **NEHAL AHMED DELVI** only, vide affidavit dated 29-07-2021, sworn before Advocate and Notary **L. GOPALAKRISHNA** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, VIJAYA LAKSHMI SASI KUMAR Spouse of No 15322037M Hav Sasi Kumar. N. # 10-40, Sathayamma Temple Street, Pakala (Vill & Post), Chittoor (Dist), Andhra Pradesh (State), PIN :517112, have changed my name from **VIJAYA LAKSHMI SASI KUMAR** to **V. VIJAYA LAKSHMI** Vide Affidavit Dated 26.07.2021 Sworn Before Notary Meer Hassan Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I **Devaki Gopala Krishna Bhat, D/o. Keshava Bhat W/o.Gopala Krishna Bhat,** Aged about 58 years permanent resident of #1-807, Nekkila, Bannur Village and Post, Puttur Taluk, Dakshina Kannada district PIN-574203, Karnataka, India. Presently Residing at. Ms. Devaki.K Girls hostel, "Devaki" Block, Room No.421, 4th Floor, Amritha School of Engineering, Kasavanahalli, Carmelaram Post, Off Sarjapur Road, Bangalore-560035. Have changed my name **Devaki.K@Devi.K to Devaki Gopala Krishna Bhat,** vide affidavit dated 16-10 2017 sworn before Advocate & Notary B.Chithra Reg.10153, Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME
I, Mr. Manjunath P.M, S/o. Munigangaiah, aged about 42 years, R/at No.11, Parkview Layout, Near Renuka Yellamma Temple, Amruthahalli, Sahakaranagar Post, Bangalore 560 092. I have changed my son's name from **'CHARAN'** to **'CHANDRAKANTH P.M'.** Vide affidavit dated 29.07.2021, Sworn to before Advocate & Notary S.R.Ravikumar, Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT
I, **SHAILJA DHANUKA,** D/o Amit Dhanuka, aged about 18 years, R/a D602, Nitesh Caesars Palace, Raghuvanahalli Gate, Kanakapura Road, Talaghatapura, Bengaluru-560062, do hereby declare that my correct name is **SHAILJA DHANUKA** and my pet name is **SHAILJA,** both the name i.e., **SHAILJA DHANUKA** and **SHAILJA** are one and the same and belongs to me only, vide affidavit dated 28-07-2021, sworn before Advocate and Notary **ANITHA BAI** at Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT
I, **MADESH KUMAR D.,** S/o. Sri. Dasappa, Aged about 44 years, R/at No. 42, 10th Cross, Geddalahalli, Gunduthopu, R.M.V. Extension 2nd Stage, Bengaluru North, Bengaluru - 560 094, hereby declare that my birth name is **MADESH KUMAR D.** and also called as **MAHADEVA .D** Both the names are one and the same person and hereafter I will retain the name **MADESH KUMAR D.** and I state that, my original date of birth is 13.05.1977 but in my Aadhar card my date of birth was wrongly entered as 1980. Vide affidavit dated 29.07.2021 sworn before G. Dayananda, Advocate & Notary, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, S. NAGAMALLESWARI, Spouse of No 15332093Y L/NK Nagireddy Surimani Residing at Intur (Vill & Post), Amarthalur (MD), Guntur (Dist), Andhra Pradesh (State), PIN:522341, have changed my name from **S.NAGAMALLESWARI** to **SURIMANI NAGAMALLESWARI** vide affidavit Dated 27.07.2021 sworn before Notary Meer Hassan Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **LALITA KUMARI,** D/o. Mohan Malakar, Aged about 33 years, Residing at 'Trishul Nivas', Plot No. 74/75, 2nd Main, M.S. Ramaiah Layout, T. Dasarahalli, Nagasandra, Bangalore - 560 073, have changed my name from **LALITA KUMARI** to **LALITA DEVI** vide affidavit dated 26.07.2021 sworn before Kodi Nagappaya, Advocate & Notary, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **LOORTHU .A,** D/o Anthoni, R/o No. 22, Madha Kovil Street, Alliyadal Village, Padiagraharam Post, Chengam Taluk, Thiruvannamalai District, Tamil Nadu, presently R/a No. 25, Anwer Building, Shikaripalya, Hulimangala Post, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **SERENEST** to **LOORTHU .A,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **LOORTHU .A** only, vide affidavit dated 29-07-2021, sworn before Advocate and Notary **MUNISWAMY .T** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **R. VIDHYA** Spouse of No 15320378Y HAV Balakrishnan .S. Residing at Kulathupalayam (Vill), Pidaramangalam (Post), Thottiam (TK), Trichy (Dist), Tamil Nadu (State), PIN : 621207, have changed my name from **R. VIDHYA** to **B.VIDHYA** vide affidavit Dated 28.07.2021 sworn before Notary Meer Hassan Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, Mr. Manjunath P.M, S/o. Munigangaiah, aged about 42 years, R/at No.11, Parkview Layout, Near Renuka Yellamma Temple, Amruthahalli, Sahakaranagar Post, Bangalore 560 092. I have changed my son's name from **'CHARAN'** to **'CHANDRAKANTH P.M'.** Vide affidavit dated 29.07.2021, Sworn to before Advocate & Notary S.R.Ravikumar, Bangalore.

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CHANGE OF NAME
I, SOUNDARARAJAN JAGADISHAN, Resident of No. 2, Shekhar Muniyappa Building, 1st Floor, Balaji Nagar, Near BIOCON Factory, Hebbagodi, Bengaluru - 560 100. have changed my name to **SOUNDARAJAN JAGADISHAN** vide Affidavit dated 29.07.2021, sworn to before Notary G.V. Nagabhushana, Bengaluru

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APPENDIX- IV-A [See proviso to rule 8 (6)]
SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES
E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Co-Borrower (s) as per column (ii) that the below described immovable properties as per column (iii) mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **Home First Finance Company India Limited** for realization of its dues plus interest as detailed hereunder and whereas consequent upon failure to repay the dues, the undersigned in exercise of power conferred under Section 13(12) of the said Act proposes to realize dues by sale of the said property/ies and it will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" as described hereunder. The auction will be conducted "On Line", for the recovery of amount due from Borrower (s) and Co-Borrower (s) as per column (I), due to **Home First Finance Company India Limited.**

Sr. No.	Name Borrower (s) and Co-Borrower (s)	Property details	Date of Demand Notice U/s 13(2)	Total Outstanding as on date of demand notice (in Rs.)	Date of Possession	Reserve Price (in Rs.)	EMD (in Rs.)	Date and Time of e-Auction / Authorized Officer Contact Detail	Last Date & Time of Submission Of EMD & Documents
1	Balakrishna M, M Vijaya	Flat No. 002, Anamyam Residency, Site No. 1, Assessment No. 75/1, Khata No. 990, Manganahalli Village, Yeshwanhpur Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore-560060	24-Mar-21	26,12,206	27-Jul-21	24,44,000/-	2,44,400/-	30-08-2021 (11am-2pm) 8861944448	28-08-2021 (upto 5pm

TERMS & CONDITIONS:

E-Auction Service Provider	E-Auction Website/For Details, Other terms & conditions	A/c No: for depositing EMD/other amount	Branch IFSC Code	Name of Beneficiary
M/s E-Procurement Technologies Ltd –Auction Tiger, Contact Person : Ram Sharma -8000023297, Help Line No :079-6813 6803,E-mail ids : ramprasad@auctiontiger.net and support@auctiontiger.net.	http://www.homefirstindia.com https://sarfaesi.auctiontiger.net	912020036268117- Home First Finance Company India Limited - Axis Bank Ltd., MIDC, Andheri East.	UTIB0000395	Authorized Officer, Home First Finance Company India Limited

Bid Increment Amount – Rs. 10,000/-. The sale will be done by the undersigned through e-auction platform provided at the Web Portal **(https://sarfaesi.auctiontiger.net).** E-Auction Tender Document containing online e-auction bid form, declaration, General Terms & Conditions of online auction sale are available at Portal Site. To the best of knowledge and information of the Authorized Officer, there is no encumbrance on the properties. However, the intending bidders should make their own independent inquiries regarding the encumbrances, title of property/ies put on auction and claims/ rights/ dues/ affecting the property, prior to submitting their bid. The e-Auction advertisement does not constitute and will not be deemed to constitute any commitment or any representation of Home First. The property is being sold with all the existing and future encumbrances whether known or unknown to Home First. The Authorised Officer/ Secured Creditor shall not be responsible in any way for any third-party claims/ rights/ dues. The sale shall be subject to rules/conditions prescribed under the securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002,

STATUTORY 30 DAYS SALE NOTICE UNDER THE SARFAESI ACT, 2002

The borrower/ guarantors are hereby notified to pay the sum as mentioned in the demand notice along with upto date interest and ancillary expenses before the date of e-Auction, failing which the property will be auctioned/ sold and balance dues, if any, will be recovered with interest and cost.

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The outpouring love and support I've received has made me realize I'm more than my accomplishments and gymnastics which I never truly believed before.
– Simon Biles, US Gymnast

FOGNINI SORRY FOR HOMOPHOBIC SLUR

Italian tennis player Fabio Fognini has apologised for yelling at himself with a homophobic slur during a loss in the Olympic tennis tournament.

OH! ATANU DAS IT

Atanu pulls off Goliath performance to beat one of sport's best, marches into pre-quarters

SWAROOP SWAMINATHAN @Chennai

SEVENTY metres. That's the average distance between a striker in cricket and the boundary rope. That's also the distance between where an archer stands at the Olympics and where the target is placed. Even if said the target has a diameter of 122cm, archers only really care about hitting the 10-point ring. It measures 12.2 cms in diametre. From that far out to the naked eye, it's about the size of a period at the end of a sentence.

On Thursday, India's Atanu Das, if he's to advance to the round of 16, has to keep hitting it. Against others, he can afford the occasional slip up. Against South Korea's Oh Jin-Hyek — one of the sport's greatest names — it's that 10 point ring or bust for the 29-year-old.

At the Yumenoshima Field, Atanu makes a bad start. His first two efforts are eights. Even if Oh hasn't made a great start himself, he claims the first two set points. As the camera pans to Deepika Kumari, his wife and the women's World No 1, the tension is visible. She is doing her utmost to gee up her husband. After consulting with India's coach during the break, he's back. Bow in one hand, arrow in another hand, he shoots. It's a nine. Followed by two further nines. He splits the set with the Korean, who has found a 10 to go with an eight and a nine. 27 apiece.

Like all precision sports, archery lends itself to people who can cut out the noise and just focus on the job. Atanu is doing just that, he's cut all out noise to shoot three further nines. The Korean finds one more 10 to go with another eight and nine. It's a 27-apiece again, they split the sets again. The Korean has shot three eights in three sets. He's looking at the bow as if it's a cheap replica. It's 4-2. The Korean needs just one more set, Atanu preferably needs to start converting those nines into 10s to stand a chance.

The Indian starts with an eight and a nine. The Korean responds with a nine and seven. If Atanu can hit a nine, it goes into a fifth set. Bow in one hand and arrow in another, he pulls back the string, releases the arrow. Two seconds later, it lands inside that 12.2 cms ring. Nirvana. Cojones. 4-4. Oh is so taken aback he shoots a six. A six. In tennis terms, that's like Rafael Nadal being bagelled at the French Open. Twice.

So Oh is so pissed by this challenger from India who has stuck to him like a rash. His first arrow in the fifth set is a 10. Normalcy resumed. Go home, goodbye. Atanu responds with a 10. Wait, what. Oh shoots a nine, Das responds with a nine. Oh shoots another nine. Das can win with a 10 but he shoots the nine, it's centimetres away from finding loveliest of spots on that circular target. It's 5-5. A shootoff will decide who will advance to the Round of 16.

Atanu turns back to the coach and smiles. In the stands, Deepika is screaming her lungs out. Thousands of Indians are barely making sense on social media. Oh is genuinely pissed with himself, he's almost offended that the Indian has taken him to a shootoff.

While archery shootoffs research is limited, in penalty shootouts — a comparable scenario — the team that kicks first wins 70% of the time. Oh goes first so, by logic, Oh is favourite. He shoots a nine. If Atanu can hit that 12.2 cms from 70 metres away, he will do what archers aren't supposed to do. Beat South Koreans.

Atanu does exactly that.

MEDALS TALLY

	G	S	B	T
1. China	15	7	9	31
2. Japan	15	4	6	25
3. USA	14	14	10	38
4. ROC*	8	11	9	28
46. India	0	1	0	1

*RUSSIAN OLYMPIC COMMITTEE

TOKYO TRAIL

Chen beats teammate to clinch TT gold

China's Chen Meng defeated compatriot Sun Yingsha to win the women's singles table tennis title at the Tokyo Olympics on Thursday, as the country reasserted its supremacy in the sport. In a battle between the top two seeds and teammates, Chen lost the first game before prevailing 9-11, 11-6, 11-4, 5-11, 11-4, 11-9 to grab her first Games gold. Chen and Sun embraced at the end and then unfurled a large Chinese flag. China, who have now won 29 of the 34 table tennis golds in the history of the Olympics, will add one more on Friday — the men's final is another all-Chinese clash between the top two seeds.

Zverev sets up Djokovic semifinal

German fourth seed Alexander Zverev booked a semifinal date with Golden Slam-chasing Novak Djokovic at the Olympics by seeing off France's Jeremy Chardy on Thursday. Zverev, the second highest-ranked player left in the competition after Daniil Medvedev's exit, swatted aside Chardy 6-4, 6-1 in their last-eight match. Meanwhile, Switzerland's Belinda Bencic came through a marathon match against Kazakh player Elena Rybakina on Thursday to reach the women's tennis final.

San Marino smallest country to win medal

San Marino picked up its first ever Olympic medal when Alessandra Perilli earned bronze in women's trap shooting on Thursday. Perilli hit 29 of 40 targets to finish third in the six-woman final. Zuzana Rehak Stefecekova of Slovakia won the gold medal and American Kayle Browning the silver. San Marino, a mountainous microstate within Italy that has a population of 34,000 people, is now the smallest nation to win an Olympic medal.

Spain, Slovenia into basketball quarters

Ricky Rubio scored 26 points as world champions Spain defeated Argentina 81-71 to join Slovenia in qualifying for the quarterfinals of the Tokyo Olympics on Thursday. Spain made it two wins from two going into their game against Slovenia that will determine the winners of Group C. Argentina, the 2004 gold medallists, must beat hosts Japan on Sunday to potentially scrape through as one of the two best third-placed teams. Earlier, NBA star Luka Doncic scored 25 points as Slovenia comfortably beat Japan 116-81 to reach the knockout phase.

PV Sindhu defeated Denmark's Mia Blichfeldt 21-15, 21-13 on Thursday | PTI

India celebrate their victory over Argentina in their group game in Tokyo | PTI

Sindhu shows her might, sets up Yamaguchi clash

ANMOL GURUNG @Chennai

WHEN the stakes are high, many athletes tend to crumble under pressure. But not PV Sindhu. Regarded as a big-game player, she continues to show just why. Playing in her first knockout game of the ongoing Olympics, the shuttler from Hyderabad showed no signs of nerves to earn a spot in the quarterfinals.

Having won two matches earlier to top Group J, Denmark's Mia Blichfeldt was her victim on Thursday. Blichfeldt, the World No 13, did offer some resistance in the mid stage of the opening round but never looked like she could beat the Indian. Sindhu won 21-15, 21-13 and will go on to face Japan's Akane Yamaguchi, who got the better of Kim Gaeun of South Korea 21-17, 21-8.

Sindhu seemed to be in the zone on the day like she usually is in big tournaments. She mixed her shots well, making her opponent chase the shuttle with some precise placements. Blichfeldt did try to match her opponent, but Sindhu was too clever, always in control of the game.

After she wrapped up the game, she gave a fist pump to her coach Park Tae-sang, who was watching her do what she does best from the side. The body language was clear, she seemed content with her effort. "I started off well. In the first game, I was rushing in defence a bit but my coach told me that I was playing the wrong way and I was able to change how I played," Sindhu said.

"In the second game, I think it was fine, I maintained the lead and was under control."

Sindhu's next test is Yamaguchi. Sindhu, who holds an 11-7 head-to-head record against the Japanese, could possibly face the biggest test of her campaign so far. In their most recent meeting in March during the All England Open, Sindhu had posted a come-from-behind win.

Men's hockey team in last 8

The Indian men's hockey team stormed into the quarterfinals with a 3-1 victory over defending champions Argentina. After goalless first two quarters, India broke the deadlock in the 43rd minute through Varun Kumar before Vivek Sagar Prasad (58th) and Harmanpreet Singh (59th) struck in the closing minutes of the match to seal the contest.

Mary Kom post her loss to Colombia's Ingrit Valencia in the 51kg event | PTI

Shocked with loss, Mary not thinking of hanging gloves

INDRANEEL DAS @Chennai

SPLIT decisions, especially close ones, are always cruel. For the players, it's dreadful. It leaves both the winner and the vanquished perplexed: winner feels it was an outright win, the loser believes it wasn't a loss. For viewers, it depends on who you support. The point system in boxing always has been and will continue to be a mystery.

On Thursday, Mary Kom was deciphering her loss but couldn't find a solution to one riddle: how could she lose after winning two rounds? Even after a couple of hours after the loss, while chatting with this daily, she couldn't believe the result. Between deep breaths and occasional loss of words, she was trying to explain her predicament. The 38-year-old mother of four put up a strong fight against Colombia's Ingrit Valencia in the 51kg. She believed she had won. She raised her hand a split second before the PA system howled the winners' name. It was a tight fight and the scores did reflect it.

"Yes, I thought I won," she said. Her voice sounded heavy. That Mary Kom-esque giggle was missing. "I won two out of three rounds and that means I won. Even when I was going for doping control, I did not realise I lost. I was so sure that I won that I raised my hand even then. In my corner, even the coaches were shocked. Even the first round I thought it was not 1-4 against me because there were not too many punches. But then, I don't know how the point system works, I lost despite winning two rounds. Well, it will take time to get over this."

With age not on her side, the six-time world champion needed to work very hard to reach here. She fought a bout of dengue and managed to recover just before the Asian Championships in April. Her concern was her endurance. On Thursday, the way she came back from the first round deficit showed she had worked on it. The ageing limbs were moving astutely finding ever so slight openings offered by Valencia, the Rio bronze medallist. As the third round approached, and towards the end, Mary's movements became laboured. She looked a trifle tired too. She was gasping and panting while removing the gloves before getting ready for the results. "I have the endurance of an 18-year-old!" she exclaimed. "I have a very strong will and determination and that keeps me going. I work very hard. I was fine even after the third round."

SCORESHEET

	R1		R2		R3		Total	
	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Judge 1	10	9	10	9	10	9	**30**	27
Judge 2	10	9	10	9	9	10	**29**	28
Judge 3	9	10	9	10	9	10	27	**30**
Judge 4	10	9	9	10	10	9	**29**	28
Judge 5	10	9	9	10	9	10	28	**29**

With Tokyo dreams shattered, she has fixed her eyes on the Asian and Commonwealth Games next. Mary is not ready to give up. "I will play till I am forty," she said. "I am still fighting well and winning. I have some boxing left in me. Even my fans and my country want me to continue."

Though 40 was the age limit in boxing earlier, but this Olympics it's suspended because the international boxing association rules are not being followed here. With the new AIBA officials taking over, there might be changes to the rule.

As for the Olympics, Mary said she would not take a decision right now. "Let me fight till 40. If my body allows, I will continue. I will have to see then. If my body gives up, I will stop. But I think Asian and Commonwealth Games is doable."

25m pistol: Manu shows promise, Rahi in precarious position

IT was a mixed day for Indian shooters. Taking part in the precision stage of the women's 25m pistol qualification on Thursday, the onus was on Rahi Sarnobat and Manu Bhaker to raise India's hopes. Despite the present gloom and doom, there were high hopes from the former as she was entering the event on the back of a blazing performance in the last World Cup in Croatia. However, she just could not find her range and was placed 25th. Manu, meanwhile, showed what she is capable of and was placed at 5th spot. The duo will return on Friday for rapid stage, the second and final stage. The top-eight scorers from both the stages will get a chance to compete in the finals, which will be held later in the day. The last time this event was held, in Osijek, Rahi had threatened to break the world record. **ENS**

TRACK & FIELD

Anju backs Neeraj for top show, wants the rest to rise to the occasion

ASHIM SUNAM @Bengaluru

HISTORICALLY, India's performance in athletics has never been impressive at the Olympics. Forget medals, even reaching the finals of respective disciplines has been a tough ask. Just the likes of late Milkha Singh and PT Usha have come extremely close to a medal in the past. But that is it. Will things change in Tokyo?

India's lone realistic hope of a medal this time is javelin thrower Neeraj Chopra. Of the 26 athletes in action, he is the best bet by a distance. Germany's Johannes Vetter, who has been consistently throwing around the 90m mark, is a huge favourite. But, it is the battle of the two other medals, which could be real tight and that is where Neeraj, who recorded his personal best of 88.07 in March, could fancy himself to create history with Poland's Marcin Krukowski and Trinidad & Tobago's Keshorn Walcott among other contenders.

However, with the way things have gone in this edition of the quadrennial event for India, where medal-hopefuls in other sports have missed out, one should not be putting too much pressure on the 23-year-old in his debut Games. "Neeraj is ranked world number four. He has a good chance in the medal bracket. I am not saying it is first, second or third, but he does have a good chance in Tokyo," said former athlete Anju Bobby George, who finished sixth in 2004 Athens games in long jump.

Besides Neeraj, there are some athletes who will be eager to make a mark in Tokyo.

Tajinderpal Singh Toor (shot put), Avinash Sable (3000m steeplechase), M Sreeshankar (long jump), men's 4x400m and the mixed relay team and others have the potential to shine.

When Indian athletes feature in the quadrennial event, there is always a fair share of expectations — not necessarily a medal, but things have fallen flat in the past. Some performances are even below their personal best. But Anju said it's time for the athletes to step up."Overall, if the (Indian) athletes can give their best at the Tokyo Olympics, they can be in that bracket of best of six. Sometimes we are not able to do that also in the biggest championships, that is the reality. But we will have to overcome all those mental blocks and perform," said Anju, who feels Indian athletes struggle at top level competitions like the Olympics due to lack of experience and exposure at the international arena.

With the athletics events starting on Friday, some of the above-mentioned athletes are set to be in action, including Sable and the mixed relay team. The former, who will feature in the second heat, needs to improve his personal best (8:20.20) in order to keep his chances of finals alive. Besides the top 3 finishers from three heats, the next six fastest reach the final. Coming to the mixed relay, Anju felt the women athletes need to shine.

"Sable is a good fighter. His timing has to come to 8:15 or something, he is 8:20 now. But, I think he can advance to the next round," she said. "The women athletes (of mixed relay) were showing little doubts, performance wise, but still only 16 teams are there, there is a high chance to move into the next round. But, they have to fight a lot."

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BEST BETS FOR GOLD IN MAIDEN OLYMPIC GAMES

With athletics, one of the marquee disciplines, set to begin on Friday, here's a look at 10 who could become Olympic champions for the first time...

ARMAND DUPLANTIS | Sweden | Men's pole vault

Pretty much a guarantee that he will be finish top, such has been his form coming into the games. Only question is can he break that long-standing Olympic record?

KARSTEN WARHOLM | Norway | 400mH

Battle with US' Rai Benjamin could make this one of the must watch races of the programme. Could go either way, but the Norwegian is the new world record holder.

SIFAN HASSAN | Netherlands | 1500, 5000, 10000m

Is entered in three endurance races (1500, 5000 and 10000m). Has form on her side and is odds on to medal in all. Lack of a finishing kick is a concern but could still win at least one gold.

JOSHUA CHEPTEGEI | Uganda | 10000m

World-record holder should have too much for the likes of Yomif Kejelcha in the first final. With new cutting edge super spikes, expect the Olympic record to fall.

JOHANNES VETTER | Germany | Javelin

Even in a world-class field, there is a yawning gap between the 2017 world champion and the rest, considering the way he has been breaking the field with his ultra big throws.

SYDNEY MCLAUGHLIN | US | 400mH

A record-breaking trials performance has catapulted her as a possible winner ahead of compatriot Dalilah Muhammad, 2016 champion. But it is a high-class field.

YULIMAR ROJAS | Venezuela | Triple jump

This jumps Latin American superhero hasn't finished outside the podium places in the last several years. Nailed on to win a medal. If form holds, should upgrade the silver she won in Rio.

MARIYA LASITSKENE | Authorised Neutral Athlete | High jump

She was forced to miss the last Games because of the ban on Russian athletes. She can take part this time and there is nobody quite like her in this field.

MILTIADIS TENTOGLOU | Greece | Long jump

Predicting a winner in this discipline is a fool's errand. Six to seven men have gone beyond 8.3m this year, with the Greek's 8.6m by far the best. Could just repeat it.

TRAYVON BROMELL | US | Men's 100m

The guy who finished last in the 2016 final is odds on to win this time. The field isn't the greatest and Bromell, going by season's best, is the fastest among the fastest men.

INTERNATIONAL WATCH

7:11 AM Swimming: Women's 200m Breaststroke Final

7:20 AM Swimming: Men's 200m Backstroke Final

10:30 AM Shooting: 25m Pistol Women's Final

2:00 PM Badminton: Women's Singles Quarterfinals Intanon Ratchanok (THA) vs Tai Tzu-Ying (TPE)

5:30 PM Table Tennis: Men's Singles Gold Medal Match Ma Long (CHN) vs Fan Zhendong (CHN)

2nd on Centre Court Tennis: Men's Singles Semifinal Novak Djokovic (SRB) vs Alexander Zverev (GER)

INDIA WATCH

5:30 AM Shooting: Women's 25m Pistol Rapid Qualification: Manu Bhaker and Rahi Sarnobat

5:44 AM onwards Golf: Men's Round 2 Udayan Mane and Anirban Lahiri

6:00 AM Archery: Women's Individual Round of 16 Deepika Kumari vs Ksenia Perova (ROC)

6:17 AM Athletics: Men's 3000m Steeplechase Heat 2 Avinash Sable

8:15 AM Hockey: Women's Pool A India vs Ireland

8:18 AM Boxing: Women's Lightweight Round of 16 Simranjit Kaur vs Sudaporn Seesondee (THA)

8:27 AM Athletics: Men's 400m Hurdles Heat 5 MO Jabir

8:35 AM onwards Sailing: Women's Laser Radial Race 9 and 10 Nethra Kumanan

8:35 AM onwards Sailing: Men's 49er Race 7, 8 and 9 KC Ganapathy and Varun Thakkar

8:45 AM Athletics: Women's 100m Heats Dutee Chand

8:48 AM Boxing: Women's Welterweight Quarterfinals Lovlina Borgohain vs Nien-Chen Chen (TPE)

11:05 AM onwards Sailing: Men's Laser Standard Race 9 and 10 Vishnu Saravanan

11:30 AM Archery: Women's Individual Quarterfinals

12:15 PM Archery Women's Individual Semifinals

1:15 PM: Archery: Women's Individual Final

1:15 PM Badminton: Women's Singles Quarterfinals PV Sindhu vs Akane Yamaguchi (JPN)

2:00 PM onwards Equestrian: Eventing Individual Dressage Fouaad Mirza

3:00 PM Hockey: Men's Pool A India vs Japan

4:42 PM Athletics: Mixed 4x400m Relay Heat 2 India

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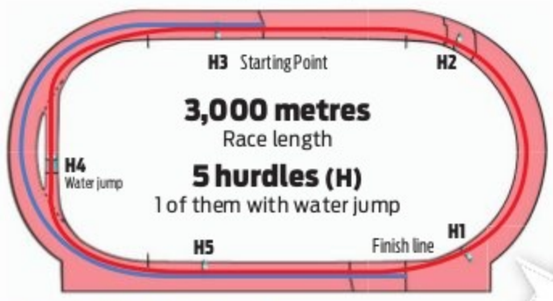
HOW STEEPLECHASERS SPLASH DOWN

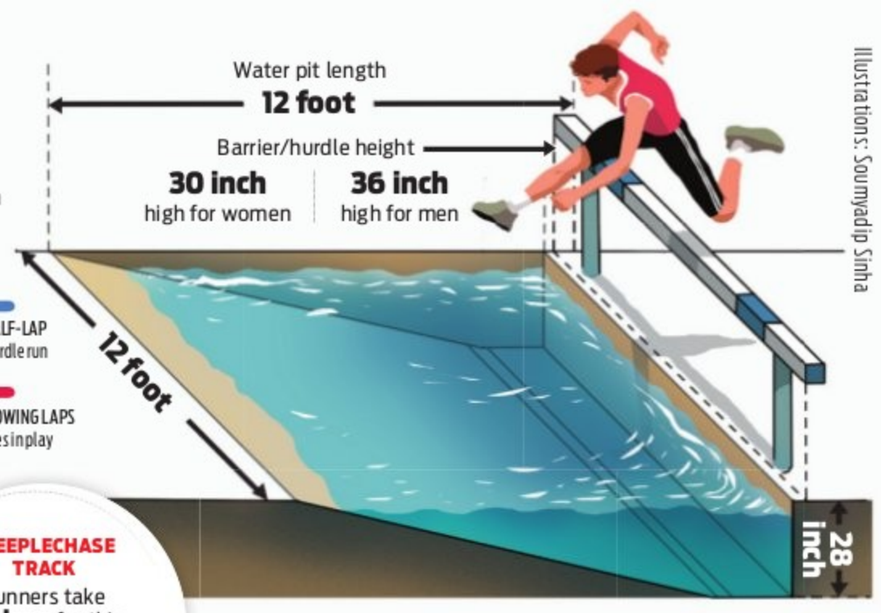
It's long, punishing and less popular than other track and field races in the Olympics. Plus, it's got a water pit. The **steeplechase** is a tough middle-distance event that can see athletes face down in a water pool due to a slight miscalculation. We take a look...



1st HALF-LAP
No-hurdle run

FOLLOWING LAPS
Hurdles in play

STEEPLECHASE TRACK
Runners take **7.5 laps** for this event, clear hurdles **35 times**, including seven water jumps.



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HOW IT WAS BORN

Horse riders in 18th-century Ireland would race from town to town while overcoming everyday obstacles such as fences, streams, ditches and walls. The name steeplechase came from the fact that the riders would use the most visible town structures as start-end points: Church steeples. A century later, the sport was taken up by runners.

STRADDLING WATER & LAND

Many runners follow the "One foot in, one foot out" rule while clearing the water jumps, trying to land with one foot in the water and the other foot about to step out of it — after stepping onto the barrier. Others, however, just hurdle over the barrier and take multiple steps in the water.

CROSSING THE MOAT

Most hurdles are leapt over, but many runners use the water barrier as a step to power a leap over the deeper areas of the water.

HUMILIATING FALLS

Steeplers have slipped on the barrier and fallen into the water in the past.

CHANGE OF GUARD LIKELY

The Kenyan men have dominated this, winning the last nine gold since 1980. A change, though, is likely. Kenya's Abraham Kibiwot has the world's second fastest time this year but threats like Lamecha Girma, Bikila Takele (both Ethiopia) Soufiane El Bakkali (Morocco) will make it a hard race for the Kenyans who have Leonard Bett and Benjamin Kigen to support Kibiwot.

IN BILES' ABSENCE, LEE HAS HER WAY

Gymnast edges Brazil's Rebeca Andrade, becomes fifth consecutive American woman to claim Olympic gold

ASSOCIATED PRESS @ Tokyo

AN American finished atop the podium in the women's Olympic gymnastics all-around, just like always.

Sunisa Lee became the fifth straight American woman to claim the Olympic title on Thursday, edging Rebeca Andrade of Brazil in an entertaining and hotly contested final while defending champion Simone Biles watched from the stands.

Lee's total of 57.433 points was just enough to top Andrade, who earned the first gymnastics all-around medal by a Latin American athlete but missed out on gold when she stepped out of bounds twice during her floor routine. Russian gymnast Angelina Melnikova earned bronze two days after leading ROC to gold in the team final.

Lee and the Americans earned silver in that event, one in which Biles withdrew after one rotation when she decided she was not mentally prepared to compete.

Biles opted to pull out of the all-around final, too, leading to the jarring sight of the gymnast considered the greatest of all-time watching the biggest meet in five years from the stands alongside teammates Grace McCallum, Jordan Chiles and MyKayla Skinner.

US gymnast Sunisa Lee performs one of her routines during the all-around women's final in Tokyo on Thursday | AFP

The 24-year-old Biles' absence created an opportunity the 24 women who took the floor at the Ariake Gymnastics Centre probably didn't think possible when they landed in Tokyo earlier this month: a legitimate shot at the top of the podium. Biles had captured every major international competition since 2013 except the 2017 world championships, which came during the year she took off after her triumph in Rio de Janeiro five years ago. Yet if Lee, Andrade and the rest of the contenders were nervous, it hardly showed. Andrade's near-perfect Cheng vault gave her an early lead, but Lee used her spectacular uneven bars set — the hardest one currently being done in competition — to pull closer.

Lee, an 18-year-old Hmong-American from Minnesota, gutted her way through a nervy beam routine. She nearly came off while executing a wolf turn — basically a seated spin — and basically needed to suction cup her toes to the 4-inch slab of wood to stay on. Her score of 13.833 moved her in front of Andrade heading into the floor exercise. Going first, Lee opted for a routine with three tumbling passes instead of four, hoping better execution would override any potential tenths she gave up by not doing a fourth pass. Her 13.700 was steady, but it left an opening for Andrade.

The 21-year-old Brazilian, two years removed from a third surgery to repair a torn ACL in her knee, had the best floor score of the contenders during qualifying. Yet she bounded out of bounds with both feet at the end of her first tumbling pass. And her right foot stepped off the white mat and onto the surrounding blue carpet.

Needing a 13.802 to win, she received a 13.666 instead, extending the US dominance in one of the marquee events at the Olympics. The Americans have won each of the Olympic finals since Carly Patterson triumphed at the 2004 Athens Games. Biles was heavily favored to extend that streak before opting out. Lee, who dealt with ankle injuries so painful she was limping at times during the US championships last month, stepped into the void. She actually beat Biles during the second night of the Olympic trials at the end of June.

A month later, she found herself standing atop the podium as one of the new faces of a sport that is becoming diverse in the US. She is the third straight woman of color to grab Olympic gold for the Americans, joining Biles in 2016 and Gabby Douglas in 2012.

Aussies in isolation after US pole vaulter's +ve test

ASSOCIATED PRESS @ Tokyo

THE fragile nature of an Olympics during the pandemic came into sharp focus Thursday when the entire Australian track team spent time in a brief quarantine after American pole vaulter Sam Kendricks pulled out of the Tokyo Games because of a positive Covid-19 test.

The news about Kendricks — a two-time world champion and the American record holder — deprived the meet of one of its high-profile athletes, then rippled across the sport, which was scheduled to open less than 24 hours after the announcement. He was one of dozens of athletes on the training track this week, and Australia announced it had put its entire 54-person team (41 athletes and 13 officials) in isolation and subjected it to testing after three athletes reported having casual contact with Kendricks. A few hours after that, the Australian Olympic Committee announced the trio had tested negative and all but those three had been cleared to return to normal activities.

The three athletes remained in isolation, allowed to resume practice under strict distancing protocols. Australia said everyone was expected to be able to compete. "Once again, abundant caution and our strict protocols continue to keep the team safe," Australian team leader Ian Chesterman said. "We want every Australian athlete to be in a position to have their Olympic moment. We will continue to be vigilant." Shortly after Kendricks' positive test was announced, another pole vaulter, Germán Chiaraviglio of Argentina, said he, too, was out because of a positive test. In a posting on social media, he described a series of tests over the past several days, some of which came back positive, others of which came back negative.

American pole vaulter Sam Kendricks' absence robs the event of one of its most high-profile athletes | AP

Unclear is how many other athletes might have had contact with Kendricks, how Olympic officials will figure that out, and what they might demand of them with the track meet only a day away.

Lanka clinch T20 series vs depleted India

AGENCIES @ Colombo

INDIA'S young batsmen's inability to tackle spin stood exposed in the face of some spirited bowling by Sri Lanka, who stopped their Asian neighbours to a paltry 81/8 in the third Twenty20 International here on Thursday. The Lankans cruised to the target in 14.3 overs with seven wickets in hand and clinched the T20 series 2-1.

Leg-spinner Wanindu Hasaranga, who scalped four wickets and Akila Danajaya troubled the batsmen with quality bowling.

Only three Indian batsmen could manage double-digit score with number seven Kuldeep Yadav being the best with his 23-run unbeaten knock.

Brief scores: India 81/8 in 20 ovs (K Yadav 23 not out; W Hasaranga 4/9) lost to Sri Lanka 82/3 in 14.3 overs (Dhananjaya de Silva 23 not out).

SWIMMING

After perfect Dressel rehearsal, expectations rise for 'next Phelps'

BETH HARRIS @ Tokyo

CAELEB Dressel tossed his gold medal from a winning relay at the Tokyo Olympics to a teammate in the stands.

He's keeping his second one.

Dressel edged defending champion Kyle Chalmers of Australia in a thrilling finish to win the 100-metre freestyle on Thursday and earn his first individual Olympic gold.

"I'm starting to find my groove a little bit," Dressel, dubbed as the next Michael Phelps, said. "It's about time, to be honest." He returned in the evening to set an Olympic record in the 100m butterfly heats with a time of 50.39 seconds. After leading off the victorious 4x100 free relay on Day 2, Dressel watched as his US teammates made repeated trips to the podium.

"I was chomping at the bit," he said. "I wanted to do my part as well." He'll get multiple chances over the final three days of swimming. The 24-year-old Floridian will be in the 50m free, 100m fly, 4x100m medley relay and the Olympic debut of the mixed 4x100 medley relay.

In all, Dressel could leave Tokyo with six medals, which would be two short of Michael Phelps' historic eight golds in 2008. He's been advertised as one of the faces of the Summer Games and a focus of media coverage when he'd rather "just shut up and swim," as he put it before the Olympics.

Caeleb Dressel celebrates his victory in the 100m freestyle event on Thursday | AFP

"Pressure is fine," he said. "It's when you turn it into stress is when it becomes a problem." Dressel is always quick to look for the negative in his performances, and he found it in the heats of the 100m free. "My first swims were rocky," he said. "I was turning the pressure into stress."

Minutes before the 100m free final, in the ready room off the deck of the Tokyo Aquatics Centre, Dressel stared at the Olympic rings on the wall. He's at his second Summer Games and first since Phelps retired five years ago, leaving a void that Dressel quickly filled as the world's dominant male swimmer.

CHINA SMASHES WORLD RECORD

China's women stunned the field to smash the world record and win the Olympic 4x200m relay title in a major upset. The team of Yang Junxuan, Tang Muhan, Zhang Yufei and Li Bingjie touched in 7mins 40.33 seconds ahead of the United States (7:40.73) and Australia (7:41.29). It is the first time neither Australia nor the USA have won gold since the event was introduced in 1996. All three teams were under the previous world record of 7:41.50 set by Australia at the 2019 world championships.

EXPRESS READ

Vinay joins MI talent scout team

MUMBAI: Former India pacer Vinay Kumar has been appointed as 'talent scout' of Mumbai Indians, the IPL franchise announced on Thursday. Vinay, a former captain of Karnataka, is the latest to enter MI's talent scout division, which recently saw former India wicket-keeper Parthiv Patel join its ranks. He will work closely with the Mumbai Indians management and coaching staff, said a statement issued by the five-time IPL champions. *PTI*